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HONOR WASHINGTON IN PATRIOTIC WAY

Inspiring Tribute From Taft to First President of the States

MASONS HOLD A CELEBRATION

Paid Tribute to Him as a Mason at Alexandria, Va.—Day at Mount Vernon—President Attended Banquet.

Alexandria, Va., Feb. 22.—President Taft paid tribute today to George Washington by attending the meeting here of the George Washington Masonic Memorial Association and later delivering an address at the banquet given by the local lodge of Masons, of which the first President was the most distinguished member. Representative Masons from all parts of the United States, who have been in session here for the past three days, their principal business being the discussion of a National memorial temple to Washington the Mason, took part in the ceremonies of the day.

The President, himself a member of a Cincinnati lodge of Masons, witnessed the conferring of the master's degree upon William H. Pettus by Grand Master Swift, of Michigan. Impressive and dramatic were the ceremonies and the President was most interested in his address at the banquet later in the evening he declared that although he was "so young a Mason," he hoped "to prove himself a loyal brother before he died."

Declaring that he was proud "to take part in a movement to give Washington a memorial here where he enjoyed the association of Masonry," the President praised his illustrious predecessor as the head of the nation as a "Mason, citizen, military and political genius."

"Why was it," he asked, "that Washington, not having as much genius as Jefferson, or as much power in other directions as others who were about him, yet stands out head and shoulders above them all? His sanity, judgment and remarkable personality gave him a power which was greater than that of any of the others."

As President Taft was about to leave the banquet hall on his return to Washington, Judge Duke, of Charlottesville, presented to him in a graceful speech a large bunch of American beauties to present with the compliments of the Washington-Alexandria Lodge to the "first lady of the land." The toastmaster of the evening was Charles H. Callahan, master of the lodge. Among the prominent guests were both Virginia Senators.

Tribute of the Masons. Masons of high degree from all parts of the United States today, paid tribute to George Washington, their fellow Mason, by placing in silent reverence on his tomb at Mount Vernon a beautiful wreath of flowers, and afterward completing details of an organization to erect in this city, a suitable Masonic memorial to Washington in the form of a temple, where a hall will be set apart forever under the control of the several grand jurisdictions.

The organization which is known as the George Washington Masonic Memorial Association, will meet annually on February 22nd, in this city until the completion of the temple. Officers elected today are:

President, Thomas J. Shyrock, grand master of Maryland; first vice president, James M. Lamberton, senior grand deacon, of Pennsylvania; second vice president, James R. Johnston, past grand master of South Carolina; third vice president, A. B. McGaffney, grand master of Illinois; secretary, Lawrence Lee, of Alabama; and treasurer, J. A. Baker, of Massachusetts.

Judge William J. Mitchell, of Port Huron, Mich., the oldest past grand master Mason in the United States, being 94 years old, said that Michigan Masons were glad to do honor to Washington, as they felt he belonged as much to Michigan as to Virginia.

Mount Vernon, Va., Feb. 22.—Upon the plain marble sarcophagus containing the body of George Washington in the hillside tomb on the estate where the greatest American spent the final years of his life, two beautiful memorial wreaths were placed today by patriotic admirers to commemorate the 179th anniversary of his birth. The flag for which he so valiantly fought, artistically draped above the open work iron doors, and flowers and evergreens formed the only other decorations on the tomb. These were placed there by the Mt. Vernon Ladies' Association of the United States, to which the country is indebted for the preservation of Washington's estate on the Potomac and for the gathering together therein of hundreds of priceless relics.

Nine hundred patriotic Americans during the day visited and stood in silent reverence before the tomb. Among these were several hundred prominent Masons from all parts of the country.

Further down the Potomac river at Wakefield, West Moreland county, Virginia, near where Washington was born, citizens of the vicinity was appropriately celebrated today.

Celebrated in Mexican Town. Laredo, Texas, Feb. 22.—Neuvo Laredo, Mexico, appropriated an Amer-

MORE TALK OF EXTRA SESSION

Chaotic Conditions in the Senate Will Cause President to Act Promptly—No Progress on Reciprocity Treaty.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The chaotic conditions existing tonight in the United States Senate add materially to the probability of an extra session of Congress. In fact, indications began to multiply today that the Senate leaders, having become convinced that an extra session is unavoidable, have decided to throw into the session a great deal more than the Canadian reciprocity agreement, which really will be the cause for the convening of the new Congress.

This, it was charged by the advocates of reciprocity tonight, will be done for the purpose of beclouding the issue as much as possible and to delay the ratification of the agreement by means of the same tactics that have characterized the present session. Under the guise of fighting over other matters, it is charged, consideration of the reciprocity agreement will be continually postponed. President Taft is said to be doing all he can to bring the Republican leaders into line, but he is met with opposition in both wings of the party—the regulars and the insurgents.

The prediction was freely made about the Capitol today that a number of appropriation bills would fall of passage. If this should be the case, it would mean that the supply measures pending in the Senate or in conference would be thrown out in the entirety and the making of new measures would be left in the hands of the new Democratic House.

There appears no longer any disposition to question President Taft's sincerity in his determination to call the 62nd Congress in an extraordinary session. The date for the opening of the new Congress has been agreed upon tentatively as March 15th. In some quarters at the Capitol there still is a feeling that the Senate may act upon the bill carrying the reciprocity agreement into effect. The members of the House have been particularly optimistic about the situation, but they were in a less sanguine mood today than at any time since reciprocity became an issue.

The situation in the Senate is practically without precedent. There have been other years when appropriation bills were hurried through in the last two or three days of the session, but for the number of other important measures pending, there are said to be few if any parallels for present conditions.

The result is that old political observers equally accurate in their predictions, are entirely at sea and unwilling to hazard a guess as to the outcome. In the meantime, the few remaining days of the session slip away.

If an extra session is called, the chances are that it will be anything but brief. Even if all the appropriation bills should be disposed of, the Democrats of the House are determined to revise before they adjourn at least two or three schedules of the Payne-Aldrich Act.

AMERICAN CAUGHT AS SPY.

"Frisco Man Appeals to Friends to Save Him From Execution."

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 22.—One of the two insurgent spies captured yesterday by Mexican Federalists and held at Tijuana, Mexico, it was learned today is Harry C. Dell, an American. The other is a man of Mexican descent who claims to be an American citizen. Dell sent today an appeal to influential friends in California to save him from immediate execution.

From Tijuana came word that a drumhead court martial and speedy execution of the two men was the plan of Mexican authorities. Dell, through an American newspaper correspondent, appealed to California friends to move promptly to save him.

This correspondent says Dell and a Mexican merchant were drinking together in a saloon when they were arrested by the Federalists.

Dell claims he went to Tijuana to stay over night after his automobile had broken down and denies any connection with the rebels. He is said to have been a sergeant in the United States Infantry in the Philippines. The identity of the other prisoner has not been revealed.

The commander of the United States troops on duty at the border has issued warnings to all Americans to keep away from Tijuana. It is said they will be tried tomorrow.

Dell is 28 years old. He says his wife lives in New York City. San Francisco, Feb. 22.—Dell was formerly a nurse in the United States Marine Hospital in this city and gained some notoriety as a witness in the investigation of charges of cruelty and neglect of patients in that institution about a year ago.

Ican National holiday today and joined with this city in the celebration of George Washington's birthday. Bull fights in the city across the river, an attack on the city hall nearby by a band of make-believe Indians, and a pageant, including floats, cowboys and soldiers, interested 40,000 visitors in the two cities.

Dallas, Texas, Feb. 22.—Washington's birthday was observed generally as a holiday throughout Texas. Public schools suspended for the day and the Texas Senate was not in session. Governor Colquitt recently issued a proclamation urging general planting of trees, and many places had arbor day programmes.

SENATOR LORIMER DEFENDS HIMSELF

Eloquent and Impressive Plea of Illinois Senator Stirs the Senate

LIKE HUMAN INTEREST STORY

Emphatic Denial of Bribery and Corruption in His Election—Spoke Four Hours—Spectators Crowd Galleries.

Washington, Feb. 22.—William Lorimer, of Illinois, today in person made his defense against the charge that his election to the Senate of the United States was accomplished by the bribery and corruption of the Legislature of the State of Illinois. His defense was a general and emphatic denial, delivered with more than ordinary eloquence and fervor.

There was no vote today, immediately upon the conclusion of Lorimer's speech the Senate went into executive session on the Japanese treaty, and the answer to the Lorimer speech, which Senator Beveridge was prepared to make, went over until tomorrow. Nobody knows when a vote will be reached.

With almost every senator in his seat and in the presence of a great crowd of members of the House of Representatives on the Senate floor and of spectators in the densely-packed galleries, he made a speech of four hours' duration, and even his bitterest opponents admitted that it was a very able, well sustained and dramatic utterance.

Some of those who heard the speech and who have been in and about the Senate for many years, said that there never had been anything just like it.

A Human Interest Story. Mr. Lorimer's speech was distinctly a "human interest story." More than once there were evidences that the speech was moving some of his hearers to tears. What effect, if any, the speech will have upon the vote in the Senate, it is, of course, impossible to say. The general impression about the Capitol tonight is that Mr. Lorimer and his friends have safely pledged the votes with which to defeat the resolution which would declare his seat vacant, and that if the matter comes to a vote the result will be a Lorimer victory. It is not impossible that Lorimer's opponents may be able to prevent the matter coming to a vote at all before adjournment. It was said today that this was in fact the plan which the anti-Lorimer people would try to carry out.

During the more than four hours that Mr. Lorimer occupied the floor he reviewed practically all the charges which have been made against himself.

He took up in turn the opprobrious imputations drawn from his intimacy with Speaker Shurtliff and Lee O'Neill Browne, his attendance upon the sessions of the Illinois Legislature and his presence in rooms, undertaking to show that in each instance his course had been natural and in the line of the performances of other public men under like circumstances. He explained his Democratic support on the grounds of long standing personal friendships for himself and of antipathy for Senator Hopkins, who was his principal antagonist in the senatorial contest.

In the former connection he related more than one story going to show attachment running over many years. This portion of the address appealed strongly to the feelings of senators, but when Senator Crawford intimated that the Illinois senator was making a bid for sympathy he resented the imputation and turned the question to his own advantage, declaring that his only purpose was to set before the Senate the truth. It was not a matter of sympathy, he said, but of right and wrong.

Mr. Lorimer undertook also to show how his advocacy of the Lakes-to-the-Mississippi waterway had caused many members of the Legislature to be partial to him. He said that he had made an effort to induce Governor Deen to become a candidate to break the senatorial deadlock, and in effect, he declared, that if Deen had been so inclined he could have elected A. J. Hopkins by throwing his vote to him.

One or two allusions were made to the prosecution of the case and his enemies were referred to as assassins of character.

Mr. Lorimer asserted emphatically that not only had he not used money to influence his election, but that on his honor he knew of none having been so employed.

The galleries would hold only a small proportion of those who sought admittance. Hundreds stood in line throughout the speech devouring every word that filtered through the gallery doors and waiting for the seats of those who might weary and leave.

Mrs. Taft a Spectator. The number of the spectators and would-be spectators was not the only unusual characteristic. "Society," as known in Washington, was out in force. Mrs. Taft herself, and a party occupied seats in the executive gallery. The diplomatic gallery was filled with representatives of various nations.

The crowd on the floor of the Senate was the largest in its history.

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HOUSE BUSY PASSING BILLS

Big Appropriation Measures Went Through Yesterday—House Not Responsible for An Extra Session—Features.

Washington, Feb. 22.—The House of Representatives is rapidly clearing its calendar so that no responsibility for what now appears to be an inevitable extra session can be charged to the lower branch of Congress. Today three big appropriation bills, carrying in the aggregate \$135,000,000 were passed. Of these the naval act carried \$125,400,000, the fortifications bill \$5,300,000 and the diplomatic and the consular bill about \$4,100,000.

The House now has only three more supply bills to pass—the Sunday Civil, the General Deficiency and the Military Academy. The latter probably will not occupy more than a few hours. So the chances are that the House will be marking time when March 1st arrives.

The naval bill having been approved in committee of the whole last night, was quickly disposed of today. A motion to commit and cut down the building programme from two battleships to one was lost.

The fortifications bill provides for the coast defenses of the United States and the insular possessions, but does not include the item for the fortification of the Panama Canal, which will be reported with the other canal appropriations in the sundry civil bill.

The diplomatic and consular bill occasioned some discussion and Representative Harrison, of New York, succeeded in striking out a number of its provisions on point of order. These had to do with participation in various international conferences.

Among the provisions dropped from the bill, but which may be reinserted by the Senate, were the following:

Subscription of \$2,000 to the International Prison Commission; participation in the International Railway Congress; participation in the International Seismographic Association; contribution of \$2,500 to the Bureau of the Inter-parliamentary Union for the promotion of international arbitration and participation in the adjudicated meeting at The Hague or the Council of League of Nations.

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"BILL NYE DAY" A SUCCESS.

Observed With Appropriate Exercises in North Carolina.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 22.—Practically every school and college in North Carolina celebrated "Bill Nye Day" with appropriate exercises today, the pupils giving an hour to the execution of a programme prepared by the Bill Nye Memorial Committee while the memory of the "Father of his Country" played second fiddle to that of the lamented humorist. Every pupil was requested to bring a penny for the memorial fund and several thousand dollars were collected, which will be applied to the erection of the Bill Nye Memorial building at the Stonehill Jackson Training School, a movement undertaken by the North Carolina Press Association.

The day set was four days removed from the anniversary of Bill Nye's death at Craig-Y-Nos, his North Carolina mountain home in 1896.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 22.—Norfolk, Portsmouth, Suffolk, Newport News, Old Point and Hampton was a circuit adopted by the Tidewater Baseball League of Virginia, at a meeting here today. All of the cities named were represented except Hampton, where the league decided to place a franchise in that town and carry it until some of the local business interests take it over.

OUTLINES.

Senator Lorimer made an emphatic denial of the charge of bribery and corruption in his election to the Senate. In an eloquent and impressive speech, he declared that he was in his seat, and the galleries were thronged with spectators. A vote will probably be taken today. Significant honor was paid the memory of George Washington by Masons of high degree at Alexandria, Va., yesterday. The National observance was of usual interest.—Three big appropriations bills were passed in the House yesterday. The calendar of the lower branch of Congress is being rapidly cleared.—The Canadian Parliament yesterday formally declared political loyalty to Great Britain by making a declaration against the allegation that reciprocity with the United States would result in annexation.—A hearing on woman suffrage bills was the feature in the New York Legislature yesterday.—General W. T. Cabell, one of the best known Confederate veterans of the South, died at his home in Dallas, Texas, yesterday.—Two members of the gang that held up a Southern fast train at Gainesville, Ga., last week, were arrested yesterday by a posse.—The Senate yesterday to ratify the new Japanese trade and commerce treaty yesterday. It was criticised as another reciprocity measure.—The veto bill passed on its first reading in the English parliament yesterday.

Second, the industrial and artistic as well as property rights of Americans will be protected. The diplomatic exchange in recent years covering the rights of American patents and copy rights are embodied now in a treaty.

Third, the United States will continue to receive "favored nation" treatment, in whatever revision of the tariff Japan may undertake in the future.

Opposed the Treaty. Sacramento, Cal., Feb. 22.—A resolution was introduced in the State Senate today calling upon President Taft to withdraw the new Japanese treaty appealing to the United States Senate to refuse its assent and instructing the California delegation to oppose ratification.

The resolution, which was presented by Senator Caminetti, says that "the Senate of the State of California, relying on the good faith upon assurances from official sources given to the people of the State during the last four years that the immigration to the United States of such laborers was preceded by a 'mutual agreement' between our government and that of Japan and that the latter nation was as anxious to retain as we were to exclude them, patriotically and patiently observed calmness pending negotiations for a new treaty that:

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FAILED TO RATIFY JAPANESE TREATY

Criticised by Senator Hale as Another "Reciprocity" Measure

DEFENSE WAS MADE BY LODGE

Measure Will Likely Come Up Before Senate Again Today—Strong Opposition to Treaty From California.

Washington, Feb. 22.—An effort was made to crowd through the Senate today the new treaty with Japan on the subject of commerce and navigation, but it met with stubborn resistance from a wholly unexpected quarter. Senator Hale declared that the treaty represented a voluntary surrender by the administration of a commercial advantage which this country by rights would enjoy for another year over the nations of Europe with whom Japan is negotiating new commercial relations.

Senator Lodge, who reported the treaty from the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, which agreed to report it after its provisions had been explained by Secretary of State Knox, was unable to satisfy the objectors.

Western senators offered no arguments against ratification beyond demanding time in which to obtain an understanding of its provisions.

Although the reason for such haste to have the treaty ratified was not stated, the general belief was that the administration desired action before the Western States had time to memorize their renewed aversion to oppose it, should the elimination of the immigration clause be deemed obnoxious to the interests of the Pacific slope.

No fault was expressed by the Maine Senator with the immigration feature, but he charged that it involved reciprocity with Japan as objectionable to orthodox protectionists as that contemplated in the reciprocity agreement with Canada. Attention was directed by Mr. Hale to the absence from the new treaty of the protocol of the treaty of 1894 in respect to the Japanese tariff to be applicable to the United States. Under that protocol the present statutory tariff with Japan would be continued until July 17th, 1912, while, if the new treaty were approved a new and higher tariff would go into effect at once. Some sharp passages are said to have occurred between Messrs. Lodge and Hale, but the debates in executive session are never taken down.

Before the Hale-Lodge controversy Senator Chamberlain, of Oregon, said that he had seen it stated that the Pacific coast senators had withheld any objections they might have to a new treaty with Japan in consideration of votes for San Francisco as an exposition site in 1915. He denied that there had been any such agreement so far as he was concerned. When it was seen that ratification was to be contested the Senate adjourned.

A radically different view of the Japanese treaty is held by those in the confidence of the State Department, who regard the position of Senator Hale as the result of a misapprehension. Three distinct benefits they declare would accrue to the United States under the new treaty. These advantages were enumerated as follows:

First, the United States will secure the perpetration of the peace port arrangement of 1907 through diplomatic notes and feels able therefore to dispense with that stipulation in the treaty of 1894 regarding immigration, which expressed a potential right that never was exercised.

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LOYALTY TO GREAT BRITAIN

Canadian Parliament Goes on Record in View of Annexation Talk Growing Out of Reciprocity Agreement.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 22.—The Canadian Parliament today formally declared political loyalty to Great Britain. The declaration was made as an answer to allegation that reciprocity with the United States will result in annexation.

Neither the government nor the opposition intended to make this declaration when the House opened at 3 o'clock. They were surprised when from the French Nationalist group, which has been freely charged with disloyalty for its stand on the naval issue.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier and R. L. Borden, finance minister, had planned that the reciprocity debate follow its regular course and the prime minister had moved the House into committee for that purpose when F. D. Monk, the chief French Nationalist, declared that in Canada, the United States and Great Britain, some public men and a part of the press had stated that annexation was bound to follow reciprocity. He believed there was no genuine annexation sentiment in Canada and that a statement to that effect should be formally made. He, therefore, moved an amendment declaring that with a view to dispelling the feeling of unrest created in Canada by comments made in the United States and Canada, as to the political consequences of the agreement the House wishes to affirm emphatically its determination to preserve intact the bonds which unite Canada to the British empire and the full liberty of Canada to control her fiscal policy and internal economy.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier accepted the Monk amendment though in doing so he adopted the most unusual course of accepting an amendment to a government motion from an opponent of the administration. The amendment was adopted without a dissenting voice.

Sir Wilfrid in accepting the motion said that the discussion had given rise to a considerable comment on both sides of Parliament. There were those in the United States, who interpreted the agreement as meaning ultimately the annexation of Canada. If there were any who entertained such an idea in Parliament there were none such on his side of the chamber, he added. But said Sir Wilfrid if it is necessary in order to strengthen the wavering faith of those like Mr. Monk he (Laurier) had no objection to accepting the motion and to say that the discussion would in no way effect or jeopardize the allegiance of Canada to the motherland.

"This motion affirms a principle which everybody is persuaded of and which no one needed to affirm," he concluded.

TWO OF GANG CAPTURED.

Stated That Prisoners Confessed Holding Up Southern Train.

Gainesville, Ga., Feb. 22.—Two members of the gang which held up and robbed the Southern Railway fast mail train at White Sulphur Springs, last Saturday, were captured today by a posse near Dahlonega. The prisoners are said to have confessed and it is stated a large amount of money was found on each.

Gainesville, Ga., Feb. 22.—Three men have been arrested and more than \$2,000 in money and jewelry recovered as the result of the three day's search for the gang of bandits, who held up and robbed the Southern railway fast mail train at White Sulphur Springs last Saturday morning. It is the belief of the officers of the express and railway companies that the entire gang has been rounded up but the identity of the suspects still is unknown.

Following the capture of one of the robbers, about four miles from Dahlonega, early yesterday, two other members of the gang were arrested this morning about 14 miles from Dahlonega by a posse headed by ex-Sheriff Edgemoor, of Lumpkin county. The men offered no resistance. They were lodged in jail at Dahlonega to night and will be brought to Gainesville tomorrow.

Nearly one thousand dollars in cash and jewelry, valued at between \$500 and \$600 was found on the two robbers who refused to give their names. When handcuffed the robbers broke down and admitted their participation in the express car holdup.

BANKS ARE CONSOLIDATED.

Two of the Oldest in New York Completed Merger Yesterday.

New York, Feb. 22.—Two of the oldest banks in New York, the Phoenix National and the Chatham National, have completed a merger and tomorrow will begin a new and joint career as the Phoenix and Chatham National Bank, at Broadway and John streets. The Phoenix, which had a career of 99 years, was the first bank with which the late Julius Spencer Morgan allied himself and his son, J. Pierpont Morgan, was a charter member of its directory when it became a National bank. The Chatham had done business for 61 years. The capital and surplus of the Phoenix and Chatham National Bank is \$3,000,000 and its resources are more than \$20,000,000.

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BOTH HOUSES BUSY WITH MANY BILLS

Senate Devoted Two Hours to State Highways, House to Revenues

EVERY COUNTY NOW FORMED

Torrens Land Title Measure Postponed—Protect State's Interest in Public Properties—Administration Bill.

(Special Star Telegram.) Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 22.—The Senate consumed over two hours today debating the Sikes-Boyd State Highway Commission bill and it was referred to the Committee of Public Roads after two amendments had been adopted, one providing that the State shall buy no county bonds until their validity is approved by the Attorney General and the other striking out all provision in the bill calling for a bond issue.

The Senate concurred in the House amendment to the bill creating Avery county, naming it in honor of the memory of Hon. Watsall Avery and the bill was ordered enrolled for ratification.

The special orders for the Torrens Land Title System bill was postponed indefinitely on account of the illness of Senator Cotten.

Many new bills were introduced today, one by Senator Hobgood to incorporate the Greensboro, Roxboro & Norfolk Railroad, one by Senator Bellamy, to establish a free ferry across the Cape Fear at Wilmington, and one by Senator Brown to protect the State's interest in turnpikes, railroads and other enterprises.

The bill creating Avery county passed final reading in the House today 80 to 9, and was ordered enrolled for ratification. This is the 19th county for N. C. and is made up of portions of Mitchell, Watauga and McDowell.

The Senate bill for \$500,000 bonds for a fire-proof State administration building was made a special order for Friday noon, this being the million dollar bill which the Senate carried in half. In committee of the whole the House passed upon 62 sections of the revenue bill, important changes being an increase of the tax on automobile dealers from \$25 to \$50; increasing fortune tellers and clairvoyants to \$200 tax, and adjusting the bottling works tax so that the tax for towns of 500 to 10,000 will be \$30; ten to twenty thousand, \$40, and over 20,000 to \$50 per year. The license for wholesale dealers was fixed at \$50 and no dealer to be required to have both retail and wholesale license. Amendments to Section 62, that would require druggists to pay \$100 tax for selling liquors were voted down and the tax retained at \$25. The House received the report of the committee of the whole and adopted the 62 sections passed upon.

Democratic Caucus. The Democratic members of the General Assembly held a caucus to night on Congressional apportionment to devise a plan for the coming elections. The caucus was held in the Democratic Club, but just how much progress was made is problematical, judging from the fact that a discussion lasting over an hour resulted in the question being again left with the Democratic members, these committees to map out a plan early as possible and report to the caucus subject to call. Harmony prevailed. Alf views expressed a desire to extend help to any weak Democratic district, but all such expressions were modified by the statement that they wanted to leave their own districts undisturbed. It was pointed out that the eighth is really the only district needing more Democratic strength and Representative Turlington insisted that the best way to provide this strength is to transfer Union county from the Seventh to the Eighth and Alexander from the Eighth to the Ninth. This was opposed by Senator Lemmon, of Union, who declared that such a move would jeopardize both the Seventh and Eighth from a Democratic viewpoint. A number of resolutions and amendments were offered during the caucus, but none appeared to contain the relief that the eighth is demanding, there being a string tied to each offer.

Finance Committee Busy. The Senate

at Morganton as recommended by Governor Kitchen gets an unfavorable report from the House Committee on Propositions and Grievances. The bill to create a drainage district on Reedy Fork and Haw rivers, Guilford county, receives favorable report unanimously from this committee. Senator Ives' bill for a 60-hour labor law in factories receives favorable report from the Senate Committee on Manufacturing with a minority report.

Senate—Fiftieth Day.
The Senate met at 10:30 o'clock, President Newland presiding and Rev. T. W. O'Kelly, of the First Baptist church, offering prayer.

Petitions Presented.
Hartsell: From citizens of Cabarrus urging appropriation for a colored reform school.
Martin, of Buncombe: From 1,150 citizens of Asheville asking for better enforcement of the law against sale of intoxicating liquors.
Armstrong: From Junior Order Council asking that Bible be used as text book in public schools.
Hicks: From Federation of Women's Clubs of North Carolina asking for better enforcement of pure food laws.

Introduction of New Bills.
Hobgood: Incorporate Greensboro, Roxboro & Norfolk Railroad.
Bellamy: Incorporate Grand United Order of Southern Pilgrims; also establish a free ferry across Cape Fear at Wilmington.

Barham: Validate certain proceedings of sale of real property.
McDonald: Authorize commissioners of Lee to issue bonds for improving roads in Jonesboro township; also provide for maintenance of public parks and drives.

Bassett: Empower commissioners of Edgecombe to appropriate for a patriotic cause; also empower Rocky Mount to appropriate for a patriotic cause.
Brown: Safeguard State's interest in turnpikes, railroads and other enterprises.

Thorne: Joint resolution paying members of the joint committees on penal institutions for their visit to the State farms. (Passed and sent to the House.)

Sikes: For the relief of W. D. Martin, a teacher at Yadkin.
Armstrong (by request): Amend law creating school district at Craven; also (by request) provide for court stenographers in Randolph and Montgomery counties; also authorize the commissioners of Montgomery to submit to voters question of issuing bonds to improve public roads.

Cobb: Create board of audit and finance for Maxton.
Barnes: Provide for legalized primary elections in Hertford.

McLaughlin: Authorize commissioners of Cumberland to submit to voters question of issuing bonds for improving roads.

Hartsell: Extend time for organization of Mt. Pleasant Railway Co.
Long: Amend charter of Stateville; also allow Statesville to refund debt; also relative to State auditor's department to increase salary of chief clerk from \$1,800 to \$2,000 a year.

Pharr: Relative to tax lease on personal property.
Thorne: Amend charter of Mid-Geese, Nash county.

Starbuck: Authorize special tax election in Forsythe for free school books.
Ivie: Authorize commissioners of Rockingham to submit to voters question of issuing bonds for road improvement; also protect crops and gardens from fowls running at large in Rockingham county.

Bills Reported Unfavorably.
Unfavorable reports were made on the bills relative to testing magnetic instruments and chains; permit sale of domestic wines and pure beer in North Carolina; (minority report by Senator Barham); abolish office of standard keeper in Brunswick; provide for application of funds or fines for failure to work public roads.

Bills Ratified.
Incorporate school district No. 1, Mark's Creek township, Wake county. Authorize trustees of Selma graded school to issue bonds for new school. Improve the public roads of Sand Hill township, Moore county. Incorporate Rockwell, Rowan county. Confer civil jurisdiction on recorder's court of New Hanover. Incorporate Locust, Stanly county. Authorize Cherrylee to borrow money for improvements. Drain lowlands of Pott's Creek in Lincoln and Catawba counties. Levy special tax for new school in Dillsboro township, Jackson county. Amend charter of Pittsboro, Chatham county. Amend charter of Carolina and Tennessee Southern Railway. Repeal charter of Lumber Bridge. Establish Ararat colored school district. Surry county. Amend charter of Mt. Airy. Allow bond issue by Elk Park, Mitchell county. Amend Charter 670. Public Laws of 1907 in relation to fertilizers. Provide for working roads of Rowan. Amend charter of Bladenboro. Establish special criminal court in Anson. Joint resolution relative to action of the State of Nevada in refusing to accept as a gift certain bonds.

Passed and Sent to the House.
Authorize Salisbury to issue bonds. Authorize Rocky Mount to issue bonds. Provide for good roads in Nash. Allow bond issue in Edgecombe to repair court house. Provide good roads in Nob's township, Yadkin county. Improve roads of Halifax. Amend charter of Smithfield. Authorize commissioners of Caswell to submit to the voters question of issuing bonds for improving roads. Re-charter Stanly, Gaston county, and repeal the charter of Stanly Creek. Provide bond issue for good roads in Johnston county. Establish graded school in Cantoner school district, Moore county. Authorize commissioners of Moore to submit to the voters the question of issuing bonds for improving the roads.

Passed and Ordered Enrolled.
Provide for good roads in Wilkes. Provide for good roads in Vance. Provide for good roads in Catawba. Authorize Brunswick to issue bonds. Authorize Cherokee to issue bonds. Provide for good roads in Swain. Amend charter of the Black Mountain Railway. Incorporate Dundare, Robeson county. Incorporate Beaver Dam school district, Cherokee county. Authorize High Point to issue negotia-

table bonds. Revise and consolidate charter of Elizabeth City.

Highway Commission Bill Re-referred.
After being debated for over two hours and amended by striking out all provisions for a bond issue, the Sikes-Boyd State Highway Commission bill was re-referred to the Committee on Public Roads to be doctored into a condition for a vote. The bill was taken up as a special order at 12 o'clock and Senator Sikes, one of its patrons, argued at length for its passage, making a strong appeal for State aid in road building and insisting that the State's credit would not be impaired by lending assistance to the movement. He claimed that the improved roads would enhance the property values to such an extent that it would overcome any danger of impairment of the State's credit and contended that the State would be amply secured.

Senator Martin, of Buncombe, said that while he believed in good roads he did not like this method of securing them and he characterized the bill as being fanciful and impractical.

Others who spoke in opposition to the bill were Senators Hicks, Long, Brown, Pharr and Barnes, while those speaking for it were Senators Boyd and Graham.

Senator Ives offered an amendment, which was adopted, providing that no county bonds shall be purchased by the State until their validity be approved by the Attorney General, such opinion being filed by him in the office of the State Treasurer.

Senator Bassett offered an amendment, which was adopted by a vote of 21 to 18, striking out all provisions for a bond issue.

Avery County Bill.
The Senate received a message from the House transmitting the bill creating Avery county for concurrence in the House amendment, naming the county in honor of the memory of Hon. Watsall Avery. The Senate concurred and the bill was ordered enrolled for ratification.

The Senate at 2:20 adjourned in honor of the memory of George Washington and will meet again Thursday at 10 o'clock.

The House—Fiftieth Day.
The House was convened at 10 o'clock by Speaker Dowd. Prayer by Rev. Hight C. Moore, editor of Biblical Recorder.

Petition: Wallace: Memorial asking Congressmen to support a measure to prohibit the shipment of liquor into prohibition territory.

Dr. Kent: Reports of committees visiting State hospitals for the insane at Raleigh and Morganton, commencing the conditions as they found them and urging maintenance appropriations for these institutions aggregating \$200,000 for Morganton and \$175,000 for Raleigh, with permanent improvements of \$12,800 for Raleigh and \$1,000 for Morganton.

Among reports of committees there came favorable reports for bills for completing card index system for grant department of Secretary of State's office. Bill establish State Fish Commission; commission government for Raleigh; primary elections for Wayne county; protect property of telephone and telegraph companies.

New Bills Introduced.
Carr, of Durham: Resolution to extend thanks to Congress for the appropriation made for monument to General Greene on Guilford Battle Ground.

Cox, of Randolph: Resolution concerning the use of the Holy Bible in schools.

Bryan: Amend auditor's office in Edgecombe.

Allred: Amend revisal relative to courts in Johnston county. Provide bond issue for Smithfield township. Incorporate certain churches in Johnston, Sampson and Harnett counties.

Andrews: Amend law relating to larceny.

Spainhour: Amend North Carolina School Law.

Battle: Regulate primary elections in Wake. Incorporate town of Eagle Rock. Joint resolution in favor of Guarantee Banking & Trust Co.

Kirkman: Enlarge police powers of Mechanicsville. Relating to school bonds in High Point.

Parham: Amend Revisal relative to the courts of Davidson.

Devin: Amend the Granville road law.

Devin: Amend charter of Oxford. Allow Granville commissioners to make certain appropriations. Amend law relating to compensation of county commissioners in Granville.

Dillard, of Cherokee: Equalize cost of stock law, expense in Duplin.

Privott: Incorporate North Edenton. Dixon: Divide Jones commissioners into two classes.

Ross: Give Dunn a recorder's court. Roberts: Amend charter of Asheville and allow refunding bonds.

Hampton: Amend game law of Currituck.

Brown, of Stanly: Ratify and approve Albemarle bond issue.

Marcum, by request: Allow Elizabeth City to issue certain bonds.

Smith, of Greene: Allow Snow Hill to issue railroad bonds.

Tucker: Amend Revisal, applying to Ashe only.

McArthur: Allow Robeson township to issue road bonds. Provide for construction of roads and bridges in Robeson and levy a special tax therefor. Change boundary lines between certain school districts in Robeson and create a new district.

Kennedy: Allow waterworks and sewerage bonds by Clinton.

General Assembly from \$250,000 to \$500,000.

Ross: Require telegraph companies to properly transmit messages.
Ewart: Protect for bearing animals in Henderson county. Change rate of interest in the town of Hendersonville.
McPhaul: Place officers of Robeson on salary basis. Create a board of audit and finance for Maxton. Provide proper deposit for all funds of Robeson county.
Hoffer: Validate certain registrations.

Administration Bill Special Order.
The Senate bill for \$500,000 bonds for State fireproof administration building was made a special order for Friday noon at the request of Representative H. H. H.

Bills Passed Final Reading.
Amend charter of Pollockville. Amend law relating to Dun road districts. Provide for bridges in Haywood. Provide more efficient municipal government. Amend charter of Hot Springs. Establish graded schools in Lee. Amend charter of Chapel Hill. Provide for drainage of Silver Creek, Burke county. Ratify a bond issue of Halifax. Provide better roads for Perquimans. Allow Person to issue good road bonds. Provide home for aged and infirm in Onslow and for \$10,000 bond issue. Amend charter of Tralton Co., Goldsboro. Amend charter of Clayton. Amend charter of Trenton. Allow Bryson City to establish electric light system and improve streets. Allow Salisbury to issue bonds. Amend charter of Windsor. Amend charter of Littleton. Amend charter of Red Springs. Incorporate town of Barnesville. Improve certain roads in Jackson. Allow bonds for improving roads in Wake.

Avery county bill passed final reading by a vote of 80 to 9, those opposing being Buck, Devin, Dixon, Dillard, of Cherokee; McPhaul, Parham, Turlington, Wooten, Pitt. The bill was ordered enrolled for ratification.

Allow Anson county to levy special tax. Amend charter of Elizabeth City.

The Revenue Bill.
The House spent two and a half hours on the Revenue bill and passed 62 sections, making some notable amendments. Considerable time was spent on Section 46, taxing wholesale dealers in horses \$50 and an amendment adopted that no dealer should be required to take out both retail and wholesale license. Sec. 35, and \$1 as to liveable stable men were then left open for future consideration. Sec. 37 was amended so as to increase the tax on automobiles, dealers from \$25 to \$50, an amendment by Ewart to increase it to \$100 being voted down. Section 46 was amended so as to include all fortune tellers and clairvoyants in the \$200 tax. All other sections to and including Section 55 were adopted without further change except that bottling works taxes are adjusted as above stated.

Section 62, taxing druggists \$25 for selling liquors was adopted without change, although there was long discussion. Ewart wanted it increased to \$100. He charged that one druggist in Charlotte ordered 50 barrels at one time. Speaker Dowd explained pleasantly that this was just before the Republican convention. Ewart came back that he was told 100 barrels were ordered for the Democratic State convention there and that the city Aldermen helped to pay for it.

Section 45 was amended to tax Gyssie for selling both horses and mules instead of applying to only horses as at present. The committee of the whole arose and Chairman Ray reported the progress of the adoption of 62 sections of the Revenue bill and the House voted concurrence.

The House then on motion of Devin, of Orange, adjourned in honor of George Washington to meet Thursday morning, at 10 o'clock.

INTEREST IN DEADLOCK.
Inducements to Support Sheehan Charge in Assembly.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 22.—If the Assembly Ways and Means Committee fails to report that inducements are being made to legislators to vote for William F. Sheehan for United States Senator, Assemblyman Artemus Ward says he will move to discharge the committee from further consideration of his resolution of similar import.

The committee met today, but did not go into executive session.

Rumors of a settlement of the Senatorial deadlock next week were gossiped about the capitol today, but was given little credence. The insurgents continued to sear their voices among various candidates, and no change in the situation is expected this week.

NEW YORKER DISAPPEARED.
Police and Newspapers Aid in Search for Iron Manufacturer.

New York, Feb. 22.—The police and newspapers were appealed to today to aid in a search for John Gardner, one of the founders of the Union League Club, of this city and a prominent iron manufacturer. He has been missing only since 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon when he left the offices of the Eckford Iron Works on Market street, and presumably started for his home in Brooklyn, but in view of the fact that he is a man of 50 years and of regular habits, his relatives and friends are almost certain he might have met with a serious accident or foul play.

TREATY DISPUTE AT END.
China and Russia Will Soon be on Good Terms Again.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 22.—The foreign office announces that China's answer to four out of the six points in the Russian note relative to the treaty of 1881 is wholly satisfactory and that the remaining two can be easily adjusted. Further pressure on China, it is stated, is not contemplated and the idea of a military demonstration has been abandoned.

Tortured for 15 Years
by a cure-defying stomach trouble that baffled doctors, and resisted all remedies he tried, John W. Modders, of Moddersville, Mich., seemed doomed. He had to sell his farm and give up work. His neighbors said, "he can't live much longer." "Whatever I ate distressed me," he wrote, "I tried Electric Bitters, which worked such wonders for me that I can now eat things I could not take for years. It's surely a grand remedy for stomach trouble." Just as good for the liver and kidneys. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c at R. R. Bellamy's.

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ROOSEVELT IN CHICAGO.

Agan Gives Definition of Nationalism—Warmly Greeted.
Chicago, Feb. 22.—Theodore Roosevelt, coming as he said, to "endeavor to translate to present day needs the work and will of Washington and Lincoln," met with a reception here today such as was his when he was President.

The former President gave again his definition of Nationalism, pleaded his day's talking was that no amount of laws would be of avail if the individual citizen forgot his duty. The speaker declared that, after all, the trouble with his country was not "big business," wicked corporations, corrupt public officers, etc., but the failure through carelessness, unappreciation or lack of understanding, to exercise his individual duty to himself and his fellow men.

He reiterated his previous statements that there were good and bad men in corporations, and that the wicked should be hunted down, individually and he insisted that "Uncle Sam" should create rules of business that would take from organized monopoly the great advantage it had over the ordinary citizen. He then explained that the "Uncle Sam" was none other than the individual voter.

He denounced as a traitor a man who would sell his vote, or would buy that of another, declaring him of blacker stripe than Benedict Arnold. He also likened to the revolutionary traitor the man who blackmailed a people or a corporation or an individual, when the people had given him a whip hand to hold over others. Colonel Roosevelt will leave for New York tomorrow.

"DIXIE DINNER" THE EVENT.
Social of Southern Society at Hotel Astor Last Night.

New York, Feb. 22.—The "Dixie Dinner" of the Southern Society held tonight at the Hotel Astor was attended by more than 1,200 sons and daughters of the South. Each Southern State was represented and the Virginia representation was unusually large. There was Southern cooking and Southern music, both vocal and instrumental. William G. McAdoo, president of the society, presided.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 22.—The McGrath bill permitting the playing of baseball on Sunday, provided no admission fee is charged, was reported favorably by the Assembly Cities Committee today.

Grand Theatre.
Orchestra will play "The Girl in the Taxi" today. Don't miss it.

RIVERS AND HARBORS BILL.

Conferees Reach an Agreement—The Provision of the Measure.
Washington, Feb. 22.—Conferees on the Rivers and Harbors bill reached an agreement today, practically all of the Senate amendments providing for new projects being accepted by the House members of the Conference Committee. They also accepted the rider put on in the Senate providing for a material increase in the engineer corps of the army, which increase was made necessary by the almost complete surrender of the direction of river and harbor work and irrigation projects to the army engineers.

The proposed extension of two years in the life of the National Waterways Commission was modified so that it will expire November 4th, 1911, by which time the final report of the commission is to be filed. The conferees retained the provision authorizing the commission to investigate and report upon plans for impounding flood waters and for proposed artificial waterways. These include a canal from Anacostia river to Chesapeake Bay.

Contract authorizations were unchanged by the conferees, being for a total of \$13,101,645, making a grand total for the bill of \$36,956,987.

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WHARF MATTER TO COME UP.

May Re-Open Public Wharf Near Foot Dock Street for Lighters.

At the next meeting of the Board of Aldermen the matter of public wharves will be taken up, and it is probable that the wharf at the foot of Princess street will be closed to wood lighters and the like. There has been some complaint in regard to the manner in which wood lighters have been standing at the foot of Princess street, and some times to such an extent that they are an obstruction to legitimate river traffic. The harbor master has been looking into the situation and it has been decided to present the matter to the board for some action. As will be recalled, the Princess street public dock was rented to Capt. John W. Harper some time ago, but as expected lighters have made this the regular landing place.

The public dock near the foot of Dock street has been condemned as unsafe, and the matter of improving it and placing it in condition for wood lighters will be taken up.

FUNERAL OF MRS. WORTH.

Services Held from First Presbyterian Church Yesterday.

The funeral of Mrs. Julia A. Worth, widow of Mr. D. A. Worth, whose death occurred early Tuesday morning, was held yesterday at noon from the First Presbyterian Church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Dr. John M. Wells, assisted by Rev. J. S. Crowley, pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian Church, in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends. The interment was in Oakdale cemetery. The pallbearers were: Honorary Col. John D. Taylor, Messrs: H. C. McQueen, James Sprunt, Dr. R. B. Slocom and Mr. C. H. Robinson; active, Messrs: A. M. Hall, W. M. Cumming, W. P. Toon, W. A. Williams, C. W. Woodward and Col. Walker Taylor.

Among the out-of-town friends and relatives of Mrs. Worth, who were here for the funeral were Mrs. Adelaide Worth Bagley and Mrs. James H. Pou, of Raleigh.

BACK FROM RALEIGH.

Messrs. Cooper and Bellamy Return Early This Morning from Legislature.

Mr. W. B. Cooper, president of the American National Bank, and Hon. John D. Bellamy, who have been in Raleigh the past several days, looking into several matters of legislation, notably the commission bill of government for Wilmington, returned to the city on the early morning Seaboard train today. Mr. Cooper stated that before he left Raleigh, he succeeded in getting the Wilmington Commission bill for Wilmington sent down from the Senate to the House for concurrence in the amendments by Mr. Bellamy, and that about 1:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, just before adjournment, it was placed on the House calendar at the request of Mr. Kelum. He could not speak definitely as to its ultimate fate. It will likely come up in the House today, he thinks.

FOREST FIRE RAGING.

Large Area Between Winter Park Gardens and Sound Burned.

A large area of shortleaf pine lands between Winter Park Gardens and Bradley's Creek was burned over yesterday by a forest fire which seems to have started at several points. The ground was pretty well covered with the Fall and Winter fall of straw and the flames, swept by a stiff northeast wind, burned fiercely. A small out-house at the place of Mr. Frank Herbst, on the "Point" at Bradley's Creek, was burned but the damage was not great and is understood to have been covered by insurance. No other present damage was learned of last night. The fire crossed the tracks of the suburban trolley line about Winter Park Heights and burned through a part of the fine pine forest there, it is said, continuing on last night to Greenville Sound.

"A TRIP ABROAD."

High School Student Will Tell Some Impressions of His Travels.

Master John Wells, a member of the student body and one of the brightest pupils at the High School, will deliver an illustrated lecture in the auditorium of the High School building tomorrow evening, beginning at 8 o'clock. The subject of his lecture will be "A Trip Abroad" and in it the speaker will give some impressions of a recent trip abroad with his father, Rev. J. M. Wells, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, this city. The young lecturer is gifted and on his lecture on this occasion he will have splendid opportunities for his talent. The lecture will be well illustrated with stereoscopic and other most interesting and instructive. The small admission of 10 cents will be charged and all are invited.

DURHAM VS. WILMINGTON.

Interesting Game of Basketball Promised at Y. M. C. A. Tonight.

One of the most exciting and interesting games of basketball of the season is promised for tonight when the team of the Junior Baraca Class of Grace Methodist church and the Junior team of the Durham Y. M. C. A. will meet for a contest. The game will be called at 8 o'clock, and it is expected that there will be an unusually large number of spectators. The Durham team has a reputation of being one of the best in the State, and they will give the Baraca boys, who have been practicing hard for the match, a strong fight for supremacy. The public generally is cordially invited to attend. The small admission of 25 cents will be charged.

Wife Got Tip Top Advice.

"My wife wanted me to take our boy to the doctor to cure an ugly boil," writes Dr. Frankel, of Stroud, Okla. "I said, 'put Bucklen's Arnica Salve on it.' She did so, and it cured the boil in a short time." Quickest healer of burns, scalds, cuts, corns, bruises, sprains, swellings. Best cure on earth. Try it. Only 25c at R. R. Bellamy's.

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DURHAM CITY CAMPAIGN.

Democrats Will Put Out Full Ticket—Other News.

(Special Star Correspondence.) Durham, N. C., Feb. 22.—After a rest of about four months, the politician will soon again find himself listening to the voice of the office-seeker, and mud-slinging will begin in earnest. This time, however, it is the local campaign that will claim the attention of the voters, and it promises to be a hot one in every respect. At a meeting of the Democratic committee held Monday evening in the Court House, it was decided to conduct the campaign squarely upon partisan lines, and a full ticket is to be nominated from the mayor down. This is the plan that has not been followed for many decades in the city, as ward tickets have been the order and these have been composed of both Democrats and Republicans. The new mode, however, seems to be the preference of the majority of the voters of the city.

Attorney and former Senator H. A. Foushee was chosen by the committee to be the chairman of the democratic executive committee, and W. J. Brogren, secretary. The primaries will be held about April 10th. The decision to name a complete democratic ticket comes as the result of the committee's faith in victory. There seems to be a much larger number of Democrats in the city than Republicans. In the elections last Fall the vote stood 1,247 Democratic votes, and 521 Republican. Democratic seers and prophets predict that they will win by an overwhelming majority.

The various towns that have for the past month or so maintained a quarantine against Durham on account of smallpox have about all raised the law. Following the action of Dr. S. D. Booth, health superintendent of Granville, Roxboro also raised the quarantine, and no certificate is now required to enter their territory. Chase City, Va., has not been heard from but that does not amount to very much. The tobacco market and the merchants of the city have suffered considerably because of the action of these towns.

At the last meeting of the Board of Aldermen, Alderman J. E. Carpenter presented a petition signed by more than 180 people asking that the board of health and the police and fire commissions be abolished. A vote was taken on it, with the result that the motion lost. Mr. Carpenter proposed that the measure be submitted to the voters in the May elections, but that lost also. Mr. Carpenter gave as his reasons for abolishing the boards the fact that there is considerable conflict between them and the board of aldermen, and said that it caused the government of the city to be run on a much more expensive basis than the old form. It is generally considered that the recent disagreeable affair growing out of compulsory vaccination has had more to do with this than has any other one thing.

A bill has been sent to General J. S. Carr to be introduced into the General Assembly providing that the county commissioner of Durham county be allowed compensation for special services rendered the county by committee work. The commissioners have not been allowed pay for work done in inspecting bridges, roads, etc. This piles up considerable expense, and the bill provides for a committee to do such work as this, and they be allowed their expenses. No member of the board shall be allowed expenses for more than three days in any month, under the new bill.

TO PRACTICE IN TEXAS.

Last Squad of New York Nationals Leave for the South.

New York, Feb. 22.—The last squad of the New York Nationals left for the "Cienfuegos" training camp at Marlin Springs, Texas, today, by boat to New Orleans. The party consists of five regulars headed by Captain Larry Doyle, who will join the new players already at the camp. By March 1. It is expected that the entire team will start practice by March 1. It is reported here that Manager John McGraw has decided to try Louis Gowdy, the husky young first baseman, from Dallas, behind the bat for a while.

McGraw is quoted as saying he sees a possible second Bresnahan in the youngster.

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Advice Concerning Stomach Troubles and How to Remedy Them.

Do not neglect indigestion which leads to all sorts of ills and complications. An eminent doctor once said that ninety-five per cent. of all the ills of the human body have their origin in a disordered stomach. A physician who made a specialty of stomach troubles, particularly dyspepsia, after years of study perfected the formula from which Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets are made. Our experience with Rexall Dyspepsia Tablets leads us to believe them to be the greatest remedy known for the relief of acute indigestion and chronic dyspepsia. Their ingredients are soothing and healing to the inflamed membranes of the stomach. They are rich in pepsin, one of the greatest digestive aids known to medicine. The relief they afford is almost immediate. Their use with persistency and regularity for a short time brings about a cessation of the pains caused by stomach disorders.

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SUPREME COURT OPINIONS.

First Delivery Yesterday Afternoon for Spring Term—The List.

(Special Star Telegram.) Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 22.—The first delivery of opinions for the Spring term of the Supreme Court is just made, the list being as follows: Howard vs. Plumbing Co., from Brunswick county, reversed; Horns vs. Howcott, Washington, reversed; Waters vs. Simmons Lumber Co., Washington, no error; Twiddy vs. Dare Lumber Co., new trial; Taylor vs. Wabash, Hyde, affirmed; Wilson vs. Taylor, Camden, no error; Williams vs. Branning Co., Hertford, error; State vs. Griffin, Union, new trial; Ashe vs. Campe Mfg. Co., Northampton, affirmed; Chauncey vs. Chauncey, Beaufort, affirmed; Liverman vs. Branning Mfg. Co., Bertie, dismissed under Rule 17; Brinn and Jarvis vs. Mutual Machine Co., Hyde, appeal withdrawn; Simmons vs. Sessions, Bertie, appeal withdrawn; Guthrie vs. Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad, Carteret, dismissed under Rule 17.

GOLDSBORO AND KINSTON.

High Schools Try Conclusions at Basketball, Spelling and Debating.

(Special Star Correspondence.) Goldsboro, N. C., Feb. 22.—The High School basketball team of this city went down defeat today at noon in a game against Kinston High School. In a splendid bee, after the basketball game, Goldsboro was the winner. Tonight the schools debated the following query: "Resolved, That the United States' policy of tariff for protection should be immediately abandoned." Goldsboro selected the negative, and the judges decided them the winners.

NEGRO BURNED TO DEATH.

Was Half Crazy and Set Fire to Prison—Others Injured.

(Special Star Telegram.) Middlesex, N. C., Feb. 22.—Charlie Strickland, a crazy negro placed in jail at Nashville Monday night for breaking into Mrs. R. A. Smith's house, at 3 o'clock this morning set fire to a mattress in his cell, and today died of burns he received about his face and hands. Six other prisoners in jail, three white and three negroes, were almost suffocated with smoke before their outcries brought the sheriff.

DEATH OF OHIO CITY OF TOLEDO, O.

LUCA COUNTY, O. FRANK J. CHENEY, major, who is a senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State of Ohio, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH that cannot be cured by the use of MALL'S CATARRH CURE.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence this 6th day of December, A. D. 1896.

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Lv. Norfolk, N. S. R. 3:35 p. m.

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The Gem Vulcanizing Works of Schenectady, N. Y., announces their removal from the Auto Co's. Garage to Market and Second streets. During the past three months we have made repairs for scores of local and out-of-town autoists. Every repair proves the merit of our work—not one failure.
Every patron our reference.
Tire expense is too great to trust to novices. Our years of experience enables us at a glance to tell whether the tire will pay to repair or not. If accepted, we guarantee our work or money cheerfully refunded. A trial will insure your future patronage.
Bring your work to us. We will save you much money and endless troubles. Old tires and tubes bought.

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We are receiving daily shipments of the celebrated "Lynhaven Bay Oysters" and they provide a lunch for the epicure that touches the spot.
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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

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42	48	40	41
7:00pm	8:40am	WILMINGTON	Ar. 8:15pm
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1:00pm	2:40pm	Richmond	Ar. 11:50pm
2:00pm	3:40pm	Weldon	Ar. 12:50pm
3:00pm	4:40pm	Petersburg	Ar. 1:50pm
4:00pm	5:40pm	Richmond	Ar. 2:50pm
5:00pm	6:40pm	Washington	Ar. 3:50pm
6:00pm	7:40pm	Baltimore	Ar. 4:50pm
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(a)—Connections made at Manhattan Transfer with trains to and from Jersey City and thence with Manhattans or Cortlandt street ferries and with Hudson River Terminal tubes to and from lower New York City.

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Thursday, February 23, 1911.

Some men show they have had good
raising while others can't hide the fact
that they were dragged up.

An enemy of woman's rights says
suffragists can't cook. He may as well
prepare to receive one of their worst
roasts.

It is hard to tell what the General
Assembly has done. There are a
whole lot of things it hasn't done and
isn't going to do.

It is said "Baltimore really wants
the National Democratic Convention." Here-
with we issue orders for the con-
vention to be held in Baltimore.

The Milwaukee Sentinel says: "A
Chicago man has brought a \$25,000
suit against a girl for breach of prom-
ise." Man? Evidently some mollycod-
dle has been mistaken for a man.

No wonder Champ Clark thinks
the world is growing better. Even the
leader of the great Mormon choir at
Salt Lake City refuses consent for the
choir to visit the cities on the Atlantic.

Says the Richmond News Leader:
"Evangelist Streibberger warns people
of the danger of trying to ride to hea-
ven in an automobile." No doubt he
considers a chariot of fire better than
a chug wagon.

An Indiana man has bred a strain
of tailless dogs. He can't entertain
us until he produces the toothless and
barkless cur which can view the moon
with the same silence that character-
izes the unspeakable owl.

Persia has asked the United States
to send it six experts to show it how
to conduct its government. This might
serve the purpose of suggesting to
some one at Oyster Bay to start a cor-
respondence school on government for
the benefit of the world.

Sergeant Goodrich went out by him-
self a few days ago and arrested five
armed Mexican insurgents who were
slinking around on the Texas side of
the Rio Grande. If Mexico's army can
catch the other five it will be all over
with the insurrection.

Fine words do not count for any-
thing. Artist Huff, of New York, told
a girl that she was "more beautiful
than the Venus de Milo" and that she
"actualized his ideal." She married
him and now she is suing for divorce
on the ground of abandonment and
cruelty.

A minister at New Canaan, Conn., is
"charged with buying a newspaper." This
must be an attempt on the part of
somebody to show that the minis-
ter has lost his reason, especially as
his defense is that he bought it to pay
his debts.

Some people from other towns are
running around with a little old boost-
er button pinned on the lapel of their
coat. Buttons show that a fellow
stands for his town but if he doesn't
"know" his town so he can button-hole
a captain of industry concerning its
advantages, he should pocket his but-
ton.

The "trousers skirt" proved even
too much for Paris. At the Comedie
Francaise on Saturday, Mlle Provost,
leading lady, appeared in bifurcated
apparel, and the audience tittered and
whispered and at times broke out in
such uproarious laughter as almost to
disturb the performance. United
States Ambassador Bacon was present
and when asked what he thought of
the trousers skirt he said, "Gee
Whizz!" In this new fangled dress
won't take in "Gay Paree" it will hard-
ly be seen in this country.

DISMEMBERMENT OF THE A. & Y.

In the Star yesterday appeared a
Raleigh special stating that delega-
tions from Wilmington, Greensboro
and Fayetteville appeared Tuesday
afternoon before the House Commis-
sion on Public Service Corporations
to favor a joint resolution introduced
in the General Assembly by Repre-
sentative Kellum, of New Hanover
county, empowering and instructing
the Corporation Commission to in-
vestigate without delay the sale by
which the old Cape Fear & Yadkin
Valley Railroad was dismembered.

It will be recalled that the sale of
the road took place under foreclosure
proceedings in the United States
Circuit Court and that the Atlantic
Coast Line became the purchaser.
Subsequently the Coast Line sold to
the Southern Railway all that part of
the road between Sanford and Mount
Airy, while the Coast Line retains
and operates all the road from San-
ford by way of Fayetteville to
Wilmington. Evidently there was an
understanding between the Coast
Line and the Southern about the divi-
sion before the sale was effected,
and at the time the transaction took
place it is astonishing that some
steps were not taken by the State to
protect the rights of the State and
its people. Now that the importance
of this line of railway is more fully
recognized, The Star is glad to note
that efforts are being made to look
into its dismemberment, a transac-
tion which has been greatly detri-
mental to the interests of Wilming-
ton, Fayetteville, Greensboro, Mount
Airy and every town on the original
line. It certainly will do no harm to
thoroughly investigate this matter in
connection with Attorney General.

In all probability the charter
granted by the State to the Cape
Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad Com-
pany has been violated, and certainly
the dismemberment of the road was
a breach of good faith with the
people of Wilmington and of the
State. Wilmington voted \$150,000
in bonds to bring that railroad to
this port and the taxpayers now are
annually paying taxes on those bonds
for the purpose of meeting the in-
terest and ultimately of liquidating
that debt of \$150,000. As it stands,
Wilmington saddled herself with a
debt and got nothing in return for
it but a new railroad connection,
which, under the circumstances, is of
no real commercial value to the
port. We do not favor reparation
but we certainly favor some action
that will give us a run for our money.

Some time ago Charleston was re-
joiced at completion of the South-
bound Railroad from Winston-Salem
to Wadesboro, a link of ninety miles
of new railroad which put that port
in direct rail communication with the
coal fields. As a matter of fact, Wil-
mington has had that connection for
about 18 years without the construc-
tion of a line of railroad. At Walnut
Cove, the C. F. & Y. V. (now two
lines), connected with the Norfolk &
Western into the Virginia coal re-
gions, but what good has it done? At
the time the C. F. & Y. V. line was
built from Fayetteville to Wilmington
to give our city that advantage, this
port's aspirations were high and its
ambition was great. It backed its
aspirations and ambition with money
and good will, expecting the line to
be a competitive one, but under the
railroad combination then existing it
was never in any sense a competing
line. Under similar arrangement,
there would be no competition if we
had a dozen lines, so easy is it for
the railroad managements of the
country to get together, understand
each other and totally eliminate pub-
lic interests from the equation.

We don't know what the result of
the proposed investigation will be,
but The Star endorses it as a move-
ment for a square deal for the public
interest. If we have laid dormant
over our rights and interest for so
long a time that is no reason why
we should stand hunched and continue
to have it rubbed in. Wilmington
paid good money and is continuing
to come across for that railroad and
it is no evidence of intolerance or
any manifestation of the "anti-cor-
ruption" spirit to take steps, even at
this late day, in behalf of a square
deal. That is all Wilmington wants,
and if the road can be restored as a
competing line with equal advantages
to Wilmington with other ports, the
fight, if that is what it is to be, is
certainly a movement in the right
direction. In this connection, the
Raleigh News & Observer of yester-
day says editorially:

"The building of the Cape Fear and
Yadkin Valley Railroad was under-
taken and carried out by a group of
patriotic capitalists of industry, assist-
ed by the money of towns and coun-
ties and generously helped by the
State. It promised to connect Wil-
mington, our chief seaport, with the
great West and the coal fields by con-
nection in Virginia with the great
roads that ran to Cincinnati and to
the coal fields. But the day came, in
the money panic that followed the
failure of the Baring Brothers, that
North Carolina railroad builders
found themselves unable to raise
money, and they were forced to the
wall. Fortunes were sacrificed, the
road put up for sale, and the dream
of the State for a long road, home-
controlled, passed. However, there
was a feeling that all could not be

lost, and that in other hands the sys-
tem would be continued and carried
on to connections in Virginia. An ap-
peal was made to Judge Simonon to
dismember the road, and the people
trembled. He refused and they
gained hope. A dummy corporation
was organized to buy it for the pur-
pose of dismemberment, but nobody
outside of a few knew that such was
the purpose. When the Legislature
was intent upon suffrage and other
matters, a long bill that was repre-
sented as a fuller charter of the At-
lantic Coast Line, with no new pow-
ers, passed the Legislature. Months
afterwards it was learned that there
was a "joker" in that act, and under
it the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley
Railroad was dismembered and di-
vided up by the North Carolina rail-
road bosses—the Coast Line and the
Southern. It was a shock, but there
seemed to be no remedy then, for the
power of the Sherman act to prevent
such acts was not known or under-
stood. This dismemberment succeed-
ed by the deception practiced upon
the Legislature. An act that on its
face gave the power to dismember
the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley
Railroad could never have become a
law. Can the wrong be righted?
The Wilmington and Greensboro
chambers of commerce think there
is a way, and in this opinion they are
supported by able lawyers. Ex-Sol-
icitor Brooks made an able argument
yesterday along that line that power-
fully impressed all who heard him.
The resolution asking for an investi-
gation by the Corporation Commis-
sion would right the wrong, if there
is a way to do it."

NEW LONG STAPLE COTTON.

The importance of seed selection
has been practically demonstrated by
Mr. S. A. Burns, an intelligent and
progressive farmer of Anderson, S. C.
He is president of the Anderson
County Farmers' Union, and incident-
ally it might be observed that this or-
ganization throughout North Caro-
lina, South Carolina and other South-
ern States is one of the powerful fac-
tors in developing the wonderful agri-
cultural resources of the South. The
Union stands for progressive agricul-
ture and through it the farmers get
the advantages of the best methods
for promoting their interests.

Through his experiments in seed
selection, Mr. Burns has produced a
long staple cotton for which he re-
ceived 18 cents from a manufacturer
at Greenville, S. C. During the cotton
season he sold seven bales at
that price to Mr. Lewis W. Parker,
a well known cotton mill man, in a
nearby city. The bales average over
500 pounds each, and were pro-
duced on Mr. Burns' plantation in
Rock Hill township, Anderson coun-
ty.

It is quite easy to recognize great
value in Mr. Burns' new long staple
cotton from the fact that he found
a ready and near market for it at 75
cents per pound. Three years ago
he noticed in his field a stalk of cot-
ton larger than the rest and with a
finer grade of lint. He preserved the
seed and from them he has developed
the long staple cotton with which he
intends to plant his whole crop this
year.

Doubtless, Mr. Burns, by his in-
telligence and observation has dis-
covered a finer variety of cotton. He
says the long staple cotton with
which he experimented grows quite
as well as any, making the same
yield per acre with no more fertilizer
and cultivation than is required for
short staple cotton. This cotton has
been grown with success for two sea-
sons on the experimental farm con-
ducted under the auspices of Clemen-
son College, an agricultural and tech-
nological institution conducted by the
State.

For many years the Star has en-
deavored to emphasize the import-
ance of seed selection (seeds of all
kinds), and Mr. Burns has furnished
us an example which does it in a
manner that should cause our farm-
ers to wake up.

A CRYING SHAME.

Wherever the responsibility rests
for the possible defeat of the Wil-
mington Commission form of govern-
ment, it is a very grave responsibility
and we cannot bring ourselves to the
conclusion that the bill, championed
by nine-tenths of the people, will meet
the fate that some think is destined
for it. Governmental conditions lo-
cally are admittedly wrong; if they
are to be remedied, it must be done
speedily. With only ten more days of
the legislative session and the likeli-
hood that the Assembly will have lit-
tle patience with local measures in
the closing days of its life, it is high
time that something were done. Per-
ty differences must be reconciled; the
sooner the better. Private interests
should step aside for the once in the
greater interest of the people as a
whole. We confess to a sickening dis-
gust at repeated delay of the bill in
the Senate until the last moment and
then all these complications in which
the people have no interest and for
which they alone will suffer.

Congressman H. L. Godwin writes
The Star from Washington to say that
the House Committee on the Census,
of which he is a member, reported a
bill favoring an increase of the mem-
bers of the House to 433 from 391 as
at present. The Republican caucus
passed a resolution favoring the reten-
tion of 391, but their effort to amend
the bill in that particular failed. After
a heated debate, the House Commis-
tee's bill was passed, and thus North

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Carolina retains her delegation of 10
representatives instead of having the
number cut down to nine.

The New York Tribune remarks:
"Orthodoxy may well sit up and take
notice when the Church of England
proposes to abridge the Ten Command-
ments." Probably that is done some
people will insist on keeping the un-
abridged set.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Charlotte is in the mint. We
had often wondered what Charlotte
wanted with an institution that didn't
make money.—Greensboro Telegram.

The acquiescence of prominent Re-
publican Senators in Senator Burton's
belief that Senator Lorimer's election
was invalid, must have a tendency
to make Mr. Lorimer feel sick.—Boston
Globe.

Making Galveston beautiful while
making her better is the programme
that has long met with favor among
the people of the city. It is the spirit
of civic consciousness that makes
cities win in the world's work.—Gal-
veston News.

When the machine-made cotton
goods of the West began to pour into
China they were sold even cheaper
than the products of the native house
looms. The cotton spinners and
weavers of southern China saw nothing
but starvation before them, and the
cry went up that foreign cloth
would take the bread out of the
mouths of hundreds of thousands of
work people. The processes of inno-
vation are never painless, and there
was suffering, but the Chinese them-
selves are now producing machine-
made cottons. They are learning the
lesson, unwillingly acquired by mil-
lions in Europe and America, that
machinery is not an enemy of labor
and that it multiplies and cheapens
many necessities and comforts of life.
—New York Sun.

One can't lie down to sleep without
waking to find some new proposition
to dismember the county of Robe-
son. This thing is getting serious.
The latest—unless some scheme was
hatched out last night or is being
hatched out today—is told in a dis-
patch from the 17th from Fayetteville to
the effect that the Chamber of Com-
merce of that town has taken preli-
minary steps towards securing pas-
sage through the Legislature of an act
allowing citizens of that part of Lum-
ber Bridge township, this county, not
inclosed in a recently formed Hoke
county, and all of Parkton township,
also this county, to vote in an election
as to whether they shall become part
of Cumberland county. Isn't that the
limit? Cumberland has been fighting
the formation of Hoke all she knew
how, and no sooner is that county
formed when she reaches on to get
part of Robeson to make up for what
she lost? We move that an act be
passed by the Legislature annexing
Cumberland to Robeson and making
Fayetteville a suburb of Lumberton.—
Lumberton Rehearsal.

The Piedmont Traction Company
proposes to join the cities and towns
of South Carolina with a network of
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derson and Greenville will be brought
into close touch one with another, and
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fitted by speedy freight and passen-
ger transportation facilities. The con-
sumption of the vast project means
the ushering in of a new industrial era
in that State—an era of progress,
of thrift, of convenience not before
enjoyed. Trade will feel the accelerat-
ing influence. New enterprises will
be organized. The farmer will benefit
by a quick means of marketing his
goods. The merchant will share in-
creased scope of trade opportunities.
And just in order to show his deep-
seated interest in the upbuilding of his
commonwealth, Governor Cold Blaz
has just vetoed the bill which provid-
ed for the incorporation of the inter-
urban system. Opportunity knocks
and this patriot, who somehow man-
aged to pilfer the gubernatorial plum,
hastens to close the door. But in the
classic language of the Hon. Cyclone
B. "I am governor and I propose to
show the boys a trick or two." Go it,
Blaze. You're the sturdiest hot steam-
ing and ready to serve.—Charlotte
News.

Mexicali, Mex., Feb. 22.—Indications
are that the Mexican rebels are about
to evacuate Mexicali. Three detach-
ments, a total of sixty men, left late to-
day, marching southward in the
direction of the Colorado Dam south of
Yuma, whither Mexican federal troops
are expected to be sent to guard the
American hydraulic works. The desti-
nation of the rebels is secret.

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ers, Skirts and Gowns; a great choice;
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36-inch white Lawn, in short lengths; some
2 to 10 yards; 10c values; price only
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10 yards, yard-wide Bleached Muslin for 49c

40-inch-Kilkenny Linen Suitings; white,
crisp linen finish; price, White Sale 10c
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to 10 yard pieces; 10c values; price
White Sale 8c
46-inch all Linen Suiting, 15c values, White
Sale 48c
90-inch Linen Suiting, \$1.00 value, White
Sale 69c
10c best Poe Mills Bleaching, one yard
wide, White Sale 7 1-2c
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GOVERNOR PREFERS CHARGES.

Against Baltimore Board of Police
Commissioners—Details.

Baltimore, Feb. 22.—Redrawn and
amended charges of incompetency and
official misconduct were preferred to-
day by Governor Austin L. Crothers
against the Baltimore board of police
commissioners. The members are Col-
onel C. Baker Cotworthy, John B. A.
Whittle and Peter E. Tome. The board
is alleged to have protected rank in-
competency and inefficiency and in
some instances actual dishonesty in
the police department, from the mar-
shal down.

The commissioners and Police Mar-
shal Thomas Farnam, among other
things, are charged with failing to de-
tect or prevent violations of the laws
relating to gambling, liquor selling, dis-
orderly houses and book-making.
Deputy Marshal James Manning is
accused of "dipping off" law-breakers
about to be raided. The hearing of the
charges is fixed for March 6th, before
the Governor, at Annapolis.

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THE COMMISSION GOVERNMENT

Mr. Iredell Meares Scathingly Arraigns Private Interests He Says Are Responsible for Possible Defeat of Bill.

Editor Morning Star:

It may be safely said the people of Wilmington are a practical unit for the Commission form of Government. The bill, prepared by Mr. Woodus Kellum, which passed the House, bears evidence of careful study of the requirements of the city, and manifests the sincere effort of our Representative to secure good government. It is representative of the people and provides efficient machinery for the economical administration of our municipal affairs. Perhaps, if drawn by another lawyer or by this writer, there might have been provisions inserted or omissions of clauses, in order to suit the views of the draftsman, but, taking it as a whole, it is a bill creditable to Mr. Kellum, and it ought to be passed without amendment.

The amendment by the Senate, which has been inserted at Senator Bellamy's urgency, providing that the deposits of the city should be equitably distributed between the several banks in the city, ought to have been designated, "An amendment to Pander to Selfish Greed of Local Bankers, Who Would Traffic With the City's Finances at the Public Expense." The primary object of the commission form of government is to fix responsibility.

If the city treasurer must divide the funds equitably, as the Act reads, then he is relieved of responsibility, so, in order to carry out the selfish provision, it is provided that the treasurer and other city officials must give bonds with some surety company. The city treasurer, at present, gives a bond for \$750,000. He gives it with personal sureties, who are approved by the Board of Audit and Finance, without cost to the city, and without cost to himself, but, if he had been obliged to give it in a surety company, as this amendment proposes, it would have cost the city \$1,925 annually, to pay the premium to a bond company, to say nothing of the bonds of other public officials. If the commissioners can be entrusted to exercise the power to levy taxes, to enact penal laws and to construct public utilities, there is no reason why they should not have confidence in them discretion in regard to municipal funds and as to whether they should be deposited in the one bank or the other, or equally among them all; but the truth is, the public treasurer should not be relieved of his responsibility by forcing the officials of the city in the hands of any bank or banks, whose petty anxiety in the scramble for them, for which they are to pay four per cent., (while lending them in South Carolina at eight per cent.) is so manifest in their effort to secure the passage of this amendment. They are now represented by a special counsel, whom they have sent to Raleigh, to get the provision adopted. It is a fact that, when these bonding companies go on the bond of public officials, they require the official to agree with them as to where he will deposit the funds, and requiring also, after he has deposited the funds, he can't check them out except by the countersign of the bond company's local agent. Again, they frequently require, when they execute these bonds, additional indemnity to protect themselves from loss. If these provisions were insisted upon, as in some instances they have been, the future treasurer may find himself unable to give a bond, as the statute requires, or, if he complies with the conditions required by the bond company, he would defeat the purpose of the act. On the other hand, if he can't comply with the conditions, he is prohibited by law from giving a personal bond. The thing which provokes this community is that certain bankers in this community, instead of wishing to promote the primary purpose of a commission form of government, would complicate it by grafting on it their selfish purpose.

The amendment may prove futile even to the banks. The law, as quoted, may not deprive the Commissioners of discretion. It says an equitable division. Who is to judge of the equity? Does this involve the character, safety and probable solvency of the bank? Certainly the banker who desires large deposits, is not to be the judge of the equitable distribution. He is prejudiced. Who then, but the Commissioners can determine the equity? True, appeal might be had to the court, but would not the bank so anxious for deposits as to appeal excite suspicion about its condition? The courts would be slow to act contrary to the opinion of the Commissioners. The banks are to be required to pay interest. Is this intended to eliminate the banks doing a strictly commercial business, and to confine the deposits to savings banks only? Is it equitable that the banks, if not paying interest on deposits generally, should become so partial to the city as to pay interest in order to secure its deposits? Are they inducing large deposits in this manner at present, while not allowing them to their smaller depositors? The action of certain bankers of this city, is not calculated to increase the respect for their citizenship or command the public confidence, when they insist upon any such imprudent provision. Why not have an equitable distribution among hardware men, livery stable men, or other merchants who carry merchandise, when the city may become purchasers of similar goods?

If such a law had been in force during the past two years, I am advised by one familiar with the city finances, who has estimated it, the cost to the city in giving these bonds would have exceeded seven thousand dollars. It is probable that the present bond of the treasurer would be reduced as the disbursement of the bond fund for public utilities goes on, but at the present rate of these improvements being made, it is not likely for many years to come. The proposed requirement is unreasonable and silly. The bond company will have a natural interest, if not a right, in naming the depositories, if it executes the public official's bond, and so the designation of them will be divided between the Commissioners, the treasurer, if he is to be held responsible, and the bond

ing companies. No bond company is going to execute the bond without some right to dictate the depositories, or having an absolute indemnity for itself. All this to be at great cost to the city, while in no sense better securing the safety of its funds, but in fact, endangering them; for, if the law is to be obeyed and no discretion reposed in the commissioners, then any bank, now or hereafter established, solvent or insolvent, may demand its share of the so-called "Equitable Distribution."

Mr. Kellum informed me that he intended to resist the proposed amendment to the bitter end. There ought to be a public meeting of the people of this community to denounce the selfish interests who have been back of this amendment, and the men ought to be held up to public contempt.

The danger in this situation, is that the commission bill may fail. Mr. Kellum's act in fighting its passage with the Senate amendment will be sustained overwhelmingly by this community. If it fails, and there is danger of it, as the Legislature will adjourn within the next ten days, we will have to remain under the present abominable system of government. If it fails, the responsibility will rest upon Mr. William B. Cooper, his coterie of associate bankers, and employed attorneys, and each of them, who has sustained his activity in this matter, together with himself, should be made to feel the resentment and indignation of this community.

I wish to say to my fellow citizens, in conclusion, that, while I have not agreed with Mr. Kellum as to his attitude upon some questions last have been before the Legislature, I can say after several visits to Raleigh recently, his course in the Legislature has commanded the respect of that body and deserves the appreciation of this community.

IREDELL MEARES.

PLAN MEN'S ORGANIZATION

Movement to Organize Men of Episcopal Churches of City Given Impetus at Last Night's Meeting of Convocation.

The Convocation of Wilmington, which is in session at the Church of the Good Shepherd, devoted the major portion of last night's service to a discussion of the men's work in the church, resulting in a decision to effect a permanent organization of the men of the Episcopal churches of this city, a committee from each of the four parishes being named to perfect the organization, which will hold its first meeting during the Lenten season.

After a brief service by the dean, Rev. Thos. P. Noe, who is also rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, the service last night was turned over to Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton, rector of St. James' church. Dr. Milton called on the representatives of the Brotherhood of the different churches for short talks, the first being Mr. Crosswell, a prominent layman of Fayetteville. He was followed by Mr. H. F. Wilder, of St. John's; Mr. W. N. Harris and Dr. W. C. Galloway, of St. James'; Mr. J. H. Burriss, of the Church of the Good Shepherd, and Mr. Geo. O. Gaylord, of St. Paul's, all of this city. Dr. Galloway in his remarks spoke of the good work of the Brotherhood in visiting the homes and inviting all the guests to attend the services. Mr. Geo. B. Elliott, chairman of the missionary movement of the parishes of Wilmington, and chairman of the committee of St. James' church, spoke of the work in this particular, and stated that in his opinion there should be a permanent organization among the men of the local parishes. Messrs. H. F. Wilder and Virginia Hall, of St. John's, and Mr. Burriss, of the Church of the Good Shepherd, also spoke of the need of such an organization as suggested by Mr. Elliott. Mr. Jones, of Fayetteville, arrived at this juncture and he was also called upon for a talk. He was followed by George Rountree, Esq., whose remarks were in line with those of Mr. Elliott. Rt. Rev. Robt. Strange, Bishop of the Diocese, heartily endorsed the idea of a permanent organization, after which a committee from each of the four parishes of the city was named to perfect an organization. Mr. Noe expressed his gratification that such a movement should have been started in the church of which he is rector, and declared that it was an advanced step that would doubtless result in great good.

Communion service was held at 11 o'clock yesterday morning and the sermon was preached by Rev. John Hollomon, of Goldsboro. A children's service was held at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, at which Rev. N. C. Duncan, of Hope Mills, was the speaker.

Services will be held at 11 o'clock this morning, and at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon the Auxiliary and Parochial societies will meet. Mrs. N. N. Davis, of this city, is the presiding officer. This will be an important meeting and will be largely attended by the ladies. Tonight a brief service will be held, after which a reception will be tendered the Convocation and St. James' Parish, which will bring the Convocation to a close.

Body Taken to Magnolia.

Following brief services at the family residence, No. 608 Brunswick street, early yesterday morning, the body of Herbert E. Merritt, the 20-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Merritt, was taken on the early train to Magnolia, where the interment took place. Funeral services were also held at Magnolia, conducted by Rev. W. L. Rexford, pastor of Bladen Street Methodist Church.

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SCREEN ORDINANCE HELD UP

One Feature Objectionable to Alderman West, Which Delayed Action Until Next Meeting—Other Matters Considered.

Because one feature of the proposed ordinance requiring the screening of all meats, fruits, candies, fish and oysters exposed for sale or on display and permitting the sale of none of these on the streets or sidewalks except fruits, did not meet the approval of Alderman West, the measure was not adopted at the special meeting of the Board of Aldermen last evening, but goes over until the next meeting, when, unless other members change their views in the meantime, it may be adopted over the objection of the lone Alderman who entered protest yesterday.

Alderman West objected to the ordinance because it would permit fruits properly screened to be sold on the streets and sidewalks, and yet merchants, particularly those in his ward, would not be permitted to sell or display vegetables outside the store, whether screened or not. He did not consider this provision of the measure fair to his constituents, and, therefore, entered vigorous protest to the adoption of the ordinance. Objection having been entered at the meeting at which the ordinance was first introduced, no vote could be taken at the meeting yesterday. When the ordinance is brought up at the next meeting, it may be adopted by the majority vote, regardless of objection of the minority.

The first section of the ordinance as first offered by the special committee, which was composed of Aldermen Hinton, Bonitz and Hall, was as follows: "That on and after the 15th of March, A. D. 1911, it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm or firms, corporation or corporations, to display for the purpose of sale or advertisement, or sell or offer for sale, on the streets or sidewalks of the City of Wilmington, any berries, fruits of any nature, kind or description whatsoever, or any candies, cakes or breads, vegetables or dried fruits, of any nature, kind or description whatsoever, or any meats, fish or oysters, unless the same is screened, with wire or glass, so that the same cannot, and will not, come in contact with flies, bugs or other insects."

Alderman Yopp moved to strike out "fruits of any nature," and "fish and oysters." The motion was lost.

Alderman Stone said that he thought that all food stuff should be taken off the sidewalks, where, when screened, they catch up dust, which he considered as bad, if not worse, than flies.

Alderman Hinton then re-arranged a portion of the first section, making it read as follows:

"That on and after the 15th of March, A. D. 1911, it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm or firms, corporation or corporations, to display for the purpose of sale or advertisement, or sell or offer for sale, on the streets or sidewalks of the City of Wilmington, any berries, meats, fish or oysters of any kind or description whatsoever, provided fruits may be sold on the streets if screened with wire or glass screens, so that the same cannot and will not come in contact with flies, bugs or other insects." It was this amended section that brought forth the opposition of Alderman West.

The other two sections of the proposed ordinance are as follows: "Section 2.—That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons, firm or firms, corporation or corporations, to have, keep or sell, or offer for sale, any live poultry, or any live animal or fowl, in any coop, box or other receptacle whatsoever, in the City of Wilmington, on the sidewalks of the following streets: On Market and Princess streets, between the east side of Third street and the west side of Front street, and on Front street between the north side of Red Cross street and the south side of Orange street.

"Section 3.—Any person or persons, firm or firms, corporation or corporations, violating any one of the above sections shall be fined \$20 for each and every offense."

The clerk read a letter from Street Commissioner, W. L. Parsley, dated Feb. 15th, which was as follows: "The Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Wilmington: 'Gentlemen:—Having been advised of the action of your board at their meeting of Feb. 6th, I thank you for the wish expressed for the withdrawal of my resignation as Commissioner of Streets.'

"Before tendering my resignation I gave the matter careful consideration, and regret that I cannot remain a member of this board, but must beg that you accept my resignation promptly."

"Respectfully, W. L. PARSELEY."

After a motion had been made and received a second that the resignation be accepted, Alderman Ellis asked that the board delay action until the next regular meeting, when he would have no objection to acceptance. Alderman Ellis said that he had had a talk with Mr. Parsley and that the latter would not object if action was delayed for a week or ten days. Other members of the board felt that since Mr. Parsley had made two requests for favorable action on his resignation that action might as well be taken without any further delay. The resignation was then accepted, Alderman Ellis voting in the negative.

Licenses to conduct restaurants were granted following: Arthur Williams, Fifth and Red Cross streets; T. S. James, on Campbell between Fifth and Sixth streets; C. E. Goodwin, corner Water and Dock streets; Joseph Grady, on Nixon, between Fifth and Sixth streets.

Acting favorably upon a largely signed petition of citizens of the immediate vicinity, the board revoked the license of Bradshaw & Maultsby, who have been doing business at No. 1002 North Fourth street. It could not be learned at the meeting whether the license held by the firm was to conduct a restaurant or near-by saloon. Whatever it is, the business must close up.

der the action of the board. Alderman West objected to a revocation of the license and offered to present a petition urging that the license be not disturbed, but the board was not disposed to hear him.

Upon motion, the Streets and Wharves Committee was instructed to build a retaining wall on Fifth street, between Harnett and Swan, in front of property of Mrs. Strauss, she to furnish the materials. The board appropriated \$25 with which the Streets and Wharves Committee is expected to have the masonry taken from the streets in the block in which is located the High School building.

Upon motion, Alderman Fales, permission was granted A. M. Why, a disabled man, to sell ice cream on Dock street, at the Front street intersection, but did not relieve him of the license tax.

The board appropriated \$25 for the installation of an electric light at corner of Tenth and Green streets, at the request of a large number of colored people.

Permission was granted J. W. Marchison & Co. to put down a railroad track in the rear of the Rock Springs Hotel property, now owned by the firm, which is arranging to erect a handsome new building.

Mayor MacRae stated that the local Red Cross Society desired to know if the Aldermen could give some financial assistance in caring for a man in the last stages of tuberculosis and his wife and three children, who are dependent upon the charity of the community and the efforts of the society. The board could not make an appropriation for this, but Alderman Yopp threw a coin on the table and asked his colleagues to join him in making a personal contribution, but they did not show the same spirit.

Mayor MacRae also stated to the board that a lady had asked what the city was going to do about chickens running in the city. It was suggested that the Mayor personally required to deal with the situation. Mayor MacRae stated that he had already suggested a remedy—wring the necks of the chickens and throw the dead fowls back over the fence.

Complaint, the Mayor said, has been made that City Engineer C. R. Humphreys is violating his contract with the city in that he is engaging in private engineering work while drawing a salary from the city. The clerk was instructed to request Mr. Humphreys to appear at the regular monthly meeting and make explanation. This was later withdrawn, when it was stated that Mr. Humphreys would resign his position in a short time now, as he had done about all the work he could for the city until the permanent street work is undertaken.

The meeting adjourned shortly after 7 o'clock. Mayor MacRae presided, in attendance were Aldermen West, Hinton, Ellis, Fales, Yopp, Stone, Herder and Bonitz; City Clerk and Treasurer John J. Fowler and City Attorney Herbert McClammy.

EXERCISES IN CITY SCHOOLS

Observance of George Washington's Birthday and Bill Nye Day—Address Delivered—Many Visitors Were Present.

In common with the schools throughout the State, George Washington's birthday and Bill Nye Day were observed in the city graded schools yesterday with appropriate exercises in the forenoon. Bill Nye Day was observed at the suggestion of State Superintendent J. Y. Joyner, the purpose being two-fold: to acquaint the pupils with the work of the famous humorist and to aid the fund to erect a building in his memory at the Jackson Training School, near Concord.

Exercises were held at the High School, Union and Hemenway and there were present at each many visitors.

The High School pupils were privileged to hear an address by Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor of the First Baptist Church. This was given in the new auditorium. In addition to the pupils there were many friends of the school present.

Dr. Foster made a most interesting and instructive talk, following which the different classes held "Bill Nye" exercises in their respective rooms.

The exercises at Hemenway school were featured with an address by Rev. W. A. Snyder, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, who spoke on the character of Washington, an excellent likeness of whom occupied the center of the rostrum. The exercises of the school consisted of a song, "Happy Greeting"; Scripture reading, prayer by Mr. Snyder, three recitations, second grade, recitation, third grade; recitation, first and second grades; song, "Tall U. S. Story of Washington"; song, "Mount Vernon Bells."

At Union school the following is the order of the exercises of the children: "Washington Acrostic," fourth grade; recitation, Mary Leslie; historical sketch of Washington, Franklin Hubbard; parade of the States, fifth grade.

"STOLEN SWEETS."

Sugar From Warehouse of O. H. Wright & Co., Last Night.

The police are searching for a negro who stole two barrels of sugar from the warehouse of O. H. Wright & Co., No. 308 Nutt street, early last evening. It appears that the negro who was employed by another firm, had a key to the warehouse and about dark last evening rolled out two barrels of sugar. He employed a driver of a delivery wagon to haul the sugar to Eighth and Castle streets. The driver did not know the sugar was stolen. In the meantime the police were notified and Mounted Officer Hall was on the lookout for the wagon at Eighth and Castle streets. The sugar was sent to the police headquarters, where it remained over night. The officers expect this morning to capture the negro who is said to have stolen the property.

"Jack Fat and J'm Slim." Funny stunts at Coney Island. If you want to laugh, see this—Grand Theatre today.

ARRESTED IN CHARLOTTE

Former Employee of City Laundry Charged With Larceny of Valise Left at Laundry—Will Be Brought Back.

Arrested in Charlotte yesterday afternoon just after he had boarded a train for Birmingham, Ala., E. G. Thomas, young white man, until Tuesday employed as a driver for the City Laundry Company, in this city, will be brought back to Wilmington tonight by Constable Savage to answer the charge of larceny of a valise from the laundry, valued at \$15, and left at the establishment a few days ago by the owner, Mr. F. E. Perkins.

The preliminary hearing will take place before Justice Harris, who is said the warrant upon the affidavit of Mr. J. O. Hinton, manager of the laundry. It seems that Thomas has been employed for some time as a driver of one of the delivery wagons of the company and was at his work as usual Monday, but did not report for work Tuesday morning. The valise left at the laundry a few days ago by Mr. F. E. Perkins and containing his laundry for the week, was also missing Tuesday. Inquiry by Mr. Hinton elicited the information that Thomas left on the early Seaboard train Tuesday morning for Charlotte, where he formerly resided and where he is said to be highly esteemed in a wide circle of friends. The Charlotte officers were requested by telephone to look out for and arrest Thomas and they found him yesterday just after he boarded a train in that city for Birmingham, Ala.

The young man was taken in custody and will be held until the arrival of Constable Savage, who will leave on the early Seaboard train this morning. The officer is expected to arrive with his prisoner on the late train tonight.

GRACE VAN STUDDIFORD.

Richmond Times-Dispatch Pays High Tribute to Light Opera Star.

In a signed criticism of the play by "W. D. G.," the Richmond Times-Dispatch of yesterday pays high tribute to Miss Grace Van Studdiford and her company of light opera stars who are to appear at the Academy of Music in this city tomorrow night in "The Paradise of Mahomet." The company jumped from New York to Richmond and comes directly from the metropolis, the engagement promising to be perhaps the most notable of an already brilliant season at the local playhouse. The Times-Dispatch, after paying high tribute to Miss Van Studdiford, says that she is only one of the several real stars of the performance. Concluding the Richmond newspaper says:

"The story is fantastic and impossible, but it serves to introduce a number of clever lines, lots of tuneful music, a famous soprano of light opera, three splendid comedians, and a chorus that can both sing and dance, and what more is required? Last night was only the second 'stand' out of New York, so the costumes were fresh and clean, besides being pretty and well made; there was an augmented orchestra, and one of the very biggest, warmest audiences of the season stirred the company to do its best."

Yopp-Mintz Nuptials.

Mr. Wm. R. Yopp and Miss Esther Naomi Mintz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Mintz, were happily united in marriage at 7:30 o'clock last night at the parsonage of Trinity Methodist Church. Rev. E. C. Selig performed the ceremony. There were present only a few friends of the couple. Mr. and Mrs. Yopp will make their home in this city. They have many friends who will wish for them a long life of wedded bliss.

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MR. WOOTEN IN DURHAM.

Former Trinity Professor Spending Few Days at College.

The Durham Sun of yesterday has the following: "Rev. John C. Wooten, former Trinity professor of biblical literature, now pastor of Grace Methodist church, Wilmington, is in the city on a visit and is spending the time out at Trinity."

"Mr. Wooten's place has not been filled. It was made a very important part of the Trinity curriculum and as its head he was one of the most liked of the entire faculty. It will be difficult to find his substitute and until this time, there has been no suggestion as to who that teacher will be. Mr. Wooten holds the regular Wilmington pastorate now."

NEWS OF THE SHIPPING.

Two Schooners Arrived and Two Cleared at Port Yesterday.

Two schooners arrived and two cleared from the port yesterday. The schooner T. W. Dunn, Capt. Perkins, brings cargo from Philadelphia, and the schooner Joel Cook, Capt. Loveland, from New York. Both will discharge at the Seaboard terminals. The schooner Marjory Brown, Capt. Henson, cleared yesterday for New York, with cargo of 25,217 cross ties, from R. T. Windley. The schooner Lottie R. Russell, Capt. James, cleared light for Little River, S. C., to receive lumber from the Hammer Lumber Company, for northern markets.

Funeral of Dr. Mask.

The funeral of Dr. Thomas R. Mask, colored, whose death occurred Sunday, was held Tuesday afternoon at St. Luke's Methodist Church, corner Seventh and Church streets, and the capacity of the edifice was taxed with those gathered to pay tribute to the memory of the deceased, who was highly esteemed by whites and colored alike. There were several members of the New Hanover County Medical Society and other white citizens in attendance. The service was conducted by Rev. Geo. L. White, pastor of St. Luke's Church, assisted by other local colored ministers and Dr. Chas. F. Meserve, president of Shaw University, colored, at Raleigh. The interment was in Pine Forest cemetery.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Brief Mention, News of Societies, Meetings, Etc.

A business meeting of the Philatelic club of Grace Methodist church will be held this evening at 8 o'clock, and a full attendance is earnestly requested.

Friends will be glad to learn that Miss Pauline Rosenbaum has returned from a three months' visit to relatives and friends in New York City and Long Island.

The February dance of L'Agile Colton Club will be given in the ball room of the Masonic Temple this evening. The attendance will be large and a most enjoyable time is anticipated.

Mr. Frank B. Adams and Mrs. Jean Delano, returning to their home in New York from a trip to Palm Beach, Fla., are guests in the city for a few days of Mrs. Lyman Delano, Second and Nun streets.

A meeting of the property owners of the town of Wrightsville Beach will be held tonight in the directors' room of the Murchison National Bank. A full attendance is desired, as matters of importance are to be considered.

The Metropolitan Opera Concert Co. will give a fourth entertainment of the Boys' Brigade Lyceum course next Monday evening. Reserved seats for the concert go on sale at Dasher Bros' this morning. The fifth attraction will be Manlove, who will appear on Tuesday night. Tickets for the Tuesday night attraction may be reserved at the same time.

DELIGHTFUL AFFAIR

Under the auspices of the Daughters of Bioneth, the women's branch of Odd Fellowship, a very enjoyable and largely attended entertainment was given in the Odd Fellows' hall, corner Third and Princess streets, last evening, beginning at 8:30 o'clock. The proceeds will go toward the purchase of the new hall at the Odd Fellows' Home at Goldsboro. The evening's entertainment began with an instrumental duet by Mrs. Garrison and Miss Landen, followed by a recitation, "Good Old Times," by Master A. T. Parker, vocal duet, "Rings Through the Year," Miss Gladys Parker and Miss Ida Bordeaux; reading, "Kentucky Philosophy," Miss Isabel Thomas. The comic opera, "Over the Garden Wall," which was given with much success a few weeks ago, was repeated by request and scored another hit. Those taking part were: Miss Mae Landen, Mrs. J. F. Little, Mrs. R. C. Cromwell, Miss Jennie Thomas, Miss Nora Watson, Miss Ruth Parker, Miss Gladys Parker, Miss Ida Bordeaux, Miss Ida May Register, Mr. J. F. Littleton, Mr. S. F. Garrison, Messrs. Henry Marshburn and Ernest Pittman and "Judge" G. W. Bornemann. This was followed by a "Washington luncheon," which was greatly enjoyed.

Garland, N. C., Feb. 22.—A beautiful wedding was solemnized at this place this morning when Mrs. Bettie Cromartie gave in marriage her daughter, Miss Gertrude Cromartie, to Mr. Albert Coward Kilpatrick. The event was celebrated at the home of the bride's mother and a concourse of friends and relatives were present. The parlor was decorated with Southern smilax, ferns and orange blossoms. The color scheme was green and white. At the appointed hour, "Oh Promise Me," was delightfully sung by Miss Maggie J. Cromartie. Presently to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, beautifully rendered by Miss Emma Bronson, the bride on the arm of the groom, entered the parlor. According to a most impressive ceremony performed by Dr. J. J. Hall, of the Baptist church of Fayetteville, they were made man and wife. While the vows were being taken, "Hearts and Flowers" was softly played. The bride wore a blue cloth gown with hat and gloves to match. Her flowers were white carnations. The numerous and handsome presents attested the popularity of the couple. Mr. and Mrs. Kilpatrick left on the morning train for Grifton, to visit relatives of the groom, and from there they will take an extended trip through Florida. The bride is young and beautiful and one of our most charming young women. The groom is a young man of sterling worth, a native of Pitt county, as agent for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad he has for the past several years resided at Garland. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kilpatrick have many friends who wish them a long and happy wedded life.

PRETTY HOME WEDDING

Of much interest to friends in the city was the marriage yesterday evening at 6 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Galloway, on South Front street, of their attractive daughter, Miss Emma Lee Galloway, and Mr. Jesse B. Hunt, a well known young man of this city. The affair was witnessed by a large number of relatives and friends, and was very pretty and impressive, the parlor being beautifully decorated in a pink and white color scheme effectively carried out with a profusion of carnations of these colors. The couple was attended by Mr. Major Shelby with Miss Lucile Hicks of Goldsboro; Mr. W. F. Bulluck, of Rocky Mount, with Miss Minnie Galloway, a sister of the bride, and Mr. Frank McCrary with Miss Clara Hunt, of Goldsboro, a sister of the groom. The bride wore a traveling costume and carried a bouquet of white carnations, while the bridesmaids wore costumes of white batiste and carried pink carnations. The wedding march was beautifully rendered by Mr. Bernard Williamson, and the impressive ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor of the First Baptist church. Following the ceremony an informal supper was given, after which the happy couple drove to the union station, leaving on the 7 o'clock train for a two weeks' trip to points North, including Washington, Philadelphia and Baltimore.

The bride is a beautiful and attractive young lady who is popular with large circles of friends. The groom is a well known and universally liked young man of this city, and holds a position in the freight traffic department of the Atlantic Coast Line general offices here. Both have the hearty congratulations of a multitude of friends and best wishes for their long happiness.

ard, Mark Noble and Clarence Sternberger.

The musical programme for the night was: Vocal solo by Miss Maude Bulluck; piano solo, Miss Ruth Shaw; vocal solo, Mrs. Geo. L. Johnson; piano solo, Miss Kate Foster; and violin solo by Mr. McGarry. The minutes were also repeated at night, and responded to several encores.

THEATRICAL.

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The story that the Van Studdiford vehicle tells is one of love in the Orient. It has to do with the intrigues of a prince who has been fascinated by a young widow, of whom he caught but a fleeting glimpse as he was starting out on a tour of the world. He returns to Constantinople just as she is about to marry a scheming English marriage broker who is after her dowry. The prince discovers a gypsy girl whom the Englishman has forsaken. He enlists her aid in spiriting away the widow while all the wedding guests are stupefied from the punch which has been drugged. When the widow recovers from the stupor, she is made to believe that she is in Paradise instead of in the garden of the palace of the prince. He masquerades as her first husband, who was lost at sea. His American chauffeur, an able abettor in all his schemes, masquerades as the missing husband of the aunt of the young widow, and together after many unexpected complications have arisen, they accomplish the purpose of the prince to make the widow his wife. It is said that not in years has a more delightful story been told in witty lines and wittiest lyrics, while the music is all the name Planquette would lead one to expect.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Dr. J. D. Devane, of East Arcadia, was in the city yesterday, transacting business.

—Mr. J. Edwin Bunting, who has been quite sick, is able to be out again; his friends will be delighted to know.

—Mr. S. A. Schloss returned yesterday from a trip over the Schloss theatre circuit, embracing a number of towns in the South.

—Rev. R. E. Peale, of Burgaw, arrived yesterday and conducted the services at Southside Baptist church last night for the pastor, Rev. G. A. Martin.

—Messrs. R. M. Prior, F. H. Steadman and J. C. McDermid, of Fayetteville, and Mr. W. J. Kemp, of Elizabethtown, were here yesterday on business trips.

—Mr. H. T. Bauman, secretary of the Carolina Truck and Fruit Growers' Association, and others interested left last night for Raleigh to view passage of the truckers' bill in view of opposition encountered yesterday.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Charged with the larceny of 28 cents from his employer, Mr. S. W. Murray, who operates a wood yard, Frank Teachey, a young negro, is in the city prison, in default of bond, awaiting hearing before the Recorder today.

—By deed filed for record yesterday at the Chadbourn and Chas. C. Chadbourn, trustees, transfer to Lindy Russell, of New York City, for \$13,000 lot on east side of Third, 95 feet north of Orange street, 90x165 feet in size.

—Charged with the larceny of two pairs of gloves from Mr. F. T. Mills at his stables on Second, between Princess and Chestnut streets, Joseph Luke, colored, was arrested yesterday at noon by Sergeant E. J. Grimsley. It is understood that the negro admits taking the gloves and disposing of them. Luke was lodged in the city prison to await hearing this morning.

REV. THOS. A. SMOOT.

Norfolk Congregation Charmed With New Wilmington Pastor.

The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot of Tuesday has the following:
Two large congregations were present at Epworth Methodist church yesterday to hear Rev. Dr. Smoot, who has, with a sound, it seems, taken possession of the hearts of his parishioners here, and likewise taken a high place in their estimation, as a preacher. Notwithstanding he has only been pastor of Epworth a couple of months, he frequently has overflowing congregations, and always a full attendance. His sermons yesterday were most admirable, the theme in the morning being "The Universal Authority of the Gospel," and at night he preached on "The Wheel of Destiny"—both being highly thoughtful, inspiring discourses with the very attractive feature of original treatment. It is easy to see, in talking with the membership, that the people of Epworth are delighted with their new minister, and that his pastorate here promises to be fraught with great good. Dr. Smoot is just now endeavoring, especially through his mid-week services, to prepare his congregation for revival meetings which are to begin at Epworth on the first Sunday in April.

THE FIRST LESSON

A man is given to learn when he enrolls in the school which qualifies for success is to put by part of his earnings each month.
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There is a song hit in this play entitled "There Is Something About You That Appeals to Me," as it is rendered by Miss Odell and Mr. Pitken, which is said to receive more encores than was ever accorded even the famous "Merry Widow" waltz, which it has replaced in the minds of the theatre-going public wherever it has been heard.

SEATS ARE ON SALE AT PLUMMER'S.

Edwin Milton Royle's powerful American play "The Squaw Man," which ran for one whole year in New York with William Faversham in the stellar role, has been secured by the Academy for next Monday night when it will be presented in its entirety.

The play calls for over thirty-three different characters and the scenery to be used is in exact harmony with that used in the original New York and London productions.

Aside from the local interest which would naturally attend a performance of "The Squaw Man" here, the fact that the place is to be offered at popular prices—within the range of all—should insure a packed house.

Despite the reduced prices, the performance and the production will be complete in every detail as the tour is being made through special arrangement with the author.

Grand Theatre.

The great motion picture, "Washington Under the American Flag," literally packed the Theatre Boulevard yesterday. This picture is a wonderful piece of work and was immensely enjoyed by the children, especially. During the afternoon nearly two thousand children attended and to judge from the applause they appreciated every inch of the film. For today the Grand offers another big bill with a special musical programme and a new song by Mr. Morgan. "Jack Pat and Jim Slim" is the title of one of the greatest comedies ever made, and shows this famous team at Coney Island. Land they do all kinds of funny stunts and will keep you laughing all the time. "Consuming Love" is a very pretty fairy tale centering around St. Valentine day, besides being a good scenic picture. "Widow of Mill Creek Flat" is a new Selig production and will be found very interesting and carries one through some very interesting Western scenes. Mr. Morgan has selected "Take Me Out for a Joy Ride" as today's song. This is a very popular melody and the illustrations are a screen. The Grand still continues to be the most delightful place to spend an hour and at the same time be comfortable, the place being supplied with thermometers with the aid of which it is kept at an even temperature. You will never see anything at the Grand that is offensive, and the class of programme presented will always be found interesting and educational. The doors open daily at 11 A. M. with a continuous performance.

The Little Market street picture house was packed for the entire evening yesterday, and all who were lucky enough to get in went wild with enthusiasm over the show. The winners were all at their very best, and were much appreciated. The prizes were awarded as follows: The Coast Line Kids, first prize; and then came the Gold Dust Twins, who were screams. Then came Mr. Armstrong, who was a winner, too. The pass-word for the evening was "S. R. O." A big feature film will be run today: "The Will of a Western Maid."

At the Bijou Today.

"Thelma" will feature the programme at the Bijou today. Thelma married Sir Philip Errington and they sailed for England. A year has passed and Thelma is very unhappy. Lady Wilfred, who is in love with Sir Philip, unknown to him, places a letter where

Thelma can see it. The letter pretends to be in answer to Sir Philip. Thelma finds the letter, reads it and goes to her room; her heart is breaking and she makes up her mind to go back to her father. She writes a note and leaves at once. Arriving home, she finds her father dying. She tells him of her unhappiness and the father demands an explanation of Sir Philip, who follows quickly. He gives it, and plainly shows that the whole trouble was from the machinations of a jealous woman. Sir Philip and Thelma are reconciled. There are two other pictures which will also be of great interest.

Change in vaudeville, pictures and song today. Mr. Whitten will sing "Won't You Give Me Back the Old Love," and a feature film entitled "Refuge," will be shown, this is a great Salvation Army subject and beautifully produced. "Elda of the Mountains" is an exciting drama, also to be shown. The Comus Brothers will introduce several new characters in their Manakin act, and Bashful Charlie of Vida & Hawley, has some more drafts on your laughing capacity. The past three days he has all but "split the sides" of the audience. The act is clean and every one enjoys it. Great Red Eagle is showing the true traits of an Indian, and is quite a novelty—one of the few Indians on the vaudeville stage.

HELD FOR HIGHER COURT.

J. P. Hopewell Given Hearing on Charge of Larceny from Person.

J. P. Hopewell, who conducts a store on Church, between Sixth and Seventh streets, was given hearing yesterday morning before Justice Harrison on the charge of larceny from the person of \$15 from Mr. F. J. Gooding at the place of business of the former Tuesday afternoon, and also for simple assault on Mr. Gooding. The defendant submitted to the assault charge and judgment was suspended upon payment of costs. The evidence in the other case was of such nature that the magistrate held that there was probable cause and bound the defendant over to Superior Court. In default of \$250 justly bonded the defendant went to jail.

The defendant did not offer any evidence at the hearing yesterday, but he is confident that he will be able to establish his innocence in the higher court. Mr. Gooding was at Hopewell's store Tuesday afternoon with Mr. W. J. Spooner. Mr. Gooding had \$15 in his pocket and paid \$5 of this for an anvil. Hopewell, it was testified, tried to take a scarf pin from Mr. Gooding's necktie, and when Mr. Gooding started out of the store he missed the \$15. Hopewell was accused of having it. A search was made of Hopewell's premises, but the money was not found. No one would consent to search Mr. Gooding's person, but finally Hopewell secured Mr. Gooding's consent to let him (Hopewell) search him for the money. The money was then discovered.

The prosecution claims that Hopewell has the money up his sleeve all the time, while the defendant contends that he found the money in Mr. Gooding's vest pocket. The witnesses for the prosecution were: Mr. Gooding, Mr. Spooner, Mounted Officer C. G. Jones, Mr. C. E. Williams and Mr. J. N. Brittain.

THE AVIATION MEET.

Manager F. Herbst Busy Getting Everything in Readiness.

Mr. Frank Herbst, local manager for the coming aviation meet, is one of the busiest men in the city now getting everything in readiness for the festivities held in connection with the Taft Day celebration, a little over a year ago. Mr. Herbst has placed an order with a local printer to print in red ink on the back of envelopes an attractive announcement of the approaching event. The envelopes are not furnished by Mr. Herbst, but he is glad to have the envelopes from the merchants and business men have responded to Mr. Herbst's request that he be permitted to have printed the announcement of the event on the back of envelopes, and the printer is now busy "running them off" on the presses. The following is the announcement printed in red ink on the back of the envelopes:

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AGENTS.

FIRST STATE CONVENTION.

Wilmington Delegates Back From Meeting Held in Charlotte.

Dr. Thos. B. Carroll and Mr. James Owen Reilly have returned from Charlotte, where they went Monday as delegates from the Wilmington Council of the Knights of Columbus to the first annual State convention of the Carolina Council, composed of North and South Carolina. The following relative to the meeting is taken from yesterday's Charlotte observer:

"The first annual State convention of the Carolina Council, Knights of Columbus, was opened with pontifical high mass yesterday morning at St. Peter's Catholic church with Bishop Leo Hald as celebrant. Very Rev. Father Felix of Belmont Abbey, was master of ceremonies. Four others of the reverend clergy assisted the bishop at the altar.

"Territorial Deputy J. W. Conway, hitherto the chief officer of the North Carolina territory, now merged with South Carolina into a State Council, was chairman of the convention, which opened in the Knights' hall at 10 o'clock yesterday morning.

"Officers were elected as follows: much interest centering in the following: J. T. Rafferty, of Charleston, State Deputy; Warren Vines Hall, of Charlotte, State secretary; J. O. Reilly, of Wilmington, State treasurer; R. D. Douglass, of Greensboro, State advocate; P. J. Drew, of Columbia, State warden; Rev. F. Budds, of Charleston, State chaplain.

"Decision was reached to divide the territory of the State Council into four districts. Columbia was selected as the place of the next State convention.

"In the afternoon the delegates were shown the city in automobiles and at night a dinner was given in their honor at the Selwyn. They were also the guests of the council last night at the Academy of Music."

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder's Appointments for First Round of Meetings.

Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, presiding elder of the Wilmington District, M. E. Church, South, has announced his appointments for the second round as follows:

Wilmington—Grace church, March 12th, night; March 13th, night. Bladen Street, March 15th, night; Fifth Street, March 19th, morning; 22nd, night. Trinity, March 19th, night; 29th, night. Chadbourne and Hallsboro—Hebron, March 25th; 26th, morning.

Whiteville and Vineland—Bishop's Springs, 26th; afternoon, 27th. Kenansville—Wesleys, April 1st and 2nd.

Shallotte—Sharon, April 8th; 9th, morning. Town Creek—Bethel, April 9th, night; 10th.

ML. Tabor—Bethesda, April 14th. Columbus—Fair Bluff, April 16th and 17th.

Wallace and Rose Hill—Charity, April 22nd and 23rd. Burgaw—Epworth, April 29th and 30th.

The Missionary Institute will be held in Grace church, March 14th, at 10 A. M.

THE COLD WAVE.

Thermometer Registered at 29 Degrees Yesterday Morning—Ice.

After having touched every part of the inhabitable United States, the cold disagreeable weather of which the press dispatches have been telling the past few days, struck Wilmington yesterday morning and sent the thermometer down to as low as 29 degrees. Ice formed freely and the day was decidedly unpleasant without coats and wraps, moderating last night until the thermometer reached 41 degrees. It is not believed that truck or fruit was damaged to any extent, but it will take two or three days of sunshine to bring out the real effect of the cold. However, Wilmington fared exceedingly well in comparison with other points even in this State. Asheville's lowest during the night was 14 degrees, Charlotte 22 and Raleigh 22. It continued quite cold last night with the likelihood of another freeze this morning, but some moderation of the temperature is expected today.

WORKING WOMEN

Here is a Helping Hand—A Newton Woman's Experience.

You know just how it is yourself—when you are tired out, perhaps a little run-down, and hardly able to drag around, life is a burden, you are irritable, envious, depressed and every little task seems like a mountain.

Miss Katharine Burns, of Newton, Mass. says: "About six months ago I was in a run-down condition and my blood was very poor. I had taken several medicines prescribed by physicians, but they seemed to do me no good. Finally Vinol was recommended and from the first bottle I noticed a great improvement. I have taken six bottles and I feel as well as ever, and I would recommend Vinol to anybody needing a good tonic to build them up and make them strong."

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We want to ask every woman who finds herself in this condition to try Vinol, our delicious cod liver and iron tonic, without oil, with the understanding that their money will be returned if it does not help them.

We know Vinol will create an appetite, aid digestion, make pure, rich blood, and in this way build up and strengthen the run-down, overworked nervous system. You to take no chances. Try it. Robert P. Bellamy, Druggist, Wilmington, N. C.

ACADEMY

SCHLOSS THEATRE CIRCUIT

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His Special Orchestra. Prices to \$2. Seats on Sale Thursday. Same Metropolitan Cast. Same Magnificent Production.

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New Spring Hats
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List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, N. C.

Anglo-Chilian (Br.), 2,442 tons, Fremantle, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
Patience, 2,355 tons, Wamsley, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
Jellings (Dan.), 1,068 tons, Andersen, Alexander Sprunt & Son.
Annette Furness (Dan.), 1,135 tons, Barsen, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.
T. W. Dunn, 635 tons, Perkins, C. D. Moffitt.
Joel Cook, 319 tons, Loveland, C. D. Moffitt.
Madeline, 394 tons, Follett, C. D. Moffitt.
Warren B. Potter, 311 tons, Hammett, C. D. Moffitt.
Perry Sitzer, 1,298 tons, Bliley, C. D. Moffitt.
G. J. Cherry, 408 tons, Day, C. D. Moffitt.
Robert H. McCurdy, 902 tons, Watts, C. D. Moffitt.
John B. Biemiller, 828 tons, Adams, C. D. Moffitt.
Augustus Welt, 1,111 tons, Sprunt, C. D. Moffitt.

BY RIVER AND HAIL.

C. C. Railroad—27 bales cotton; 15 barrels tar.
Atlantic Coast Line—357 bales cotton; 4 casks spirits turpentine; 118 barrels rosin; 33 barrels tar; 5 barrels crude turpentine.
Str. City of Fayetteville—36 barrels rosin; 18 barrels tar.
Total—434 bales cotton; 4 casks spirits turpentine; 154 barrels rosin; 66 barrels tar; 8 barrels crude turpentine.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 22.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 18.)
PEANUTS—Virginia, 90 to \$1.00 per bu.; North Carolina, \$1.00 to \$1.05; Spanish, \$1.05 to \$1.10.
COFFEE—Firm; 85 to 90 per bu.
PEAS—White, black-eye, 82.75; white lady finger, 83.00; day peas, 82.00 per bu.
POTATOES—Yams, 75 per bu.; Irish potatoes, 80 to 90 per bu.
BEANS—On foot, 63 to 64 per bu.
POK—Net, 60 to 61 per bu.
WOL—Burr, 52 to 53 per bu.; free of burr, 54 to 55 per bu.
HIDES—Green, 10 per lb.; dry, 12 per lb.
NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old, 18 to 20 per lb.; sides and shoulders, 15 to 16 per lb.
BEEF—Firm; 27 per lb.
TALLOW—Firm; 10 to 11 per lb.
POULTRY—Turkey, on foot, 1.50 to 1.60 per lb.; dressed, 2.00 to 2.25 per lb.; chickens, grown, 40 to 50 per head; chickens, spring, 30 to 35 per head; geese, 50 per head.
EGGS—Dull, 15 per doz.
SHEEP—Out of season.

Petersburg Peanut Market.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)
Spanish—Market, firm, at \$1.22 1/2 per bushel.
Virginia—Market, firm. Bunch, 46 to 48 c.; Fancy Hand Picked, 34 c.; Shelling Stock, 35 c.; Prime, 34 c.; Shelling Stock, 26 to 28 c.; Machine Picked, 25 c. to 31 c.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Spot in Fair Demand. Prices Four Points Lower.

Liverpool, Feb. 22.—Spot cotton in fair demand, prices four points lower. American middling fair 7.91; good middling 7.59; middling 7.47; low middling 7.27; good ordinary 7.01; ordinary 6.76. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 300 were for speculation and export and included 7,700 American. Receipts 7,400 bales, all American.
Futures opened easier and closed steady. February 7.27; February and March 7.27; March and April 7.27 1/2; April and May 7.29 1/2; May and June 7.31; June and July 7.31; July and August 7.29 1/2; August and September 7.11; September and October 6.80 1/2; October and November 6.67 1/2; November and December 6.60 1/2; December and January 6.60; January and February 6.60.

ANOTHER ARNOLD CLUE.

Missing New York Heiress Believed to Have Visited Baltimore.

Baltimore, Feb. 22.—That Dorothy Arnold, the missing New York heiress, was in Baltimore on February 2nd, is the firm belief of Dr. Isabella K. Godfrey, of this city.

Dr. Godfrey today said she visited a drug store about 4 P. M. on February 2, and noticed a young woman alight from a large touring car, enter the store and consult a city directory, evidently in quest of an address.

The physician said she wrote to Miss Arnold's father and on February 6th was visited by two men who told her they came in the interest of Mr. Arnold. She described the girl's appearance, which one of the men said answered Miss Arnold's description perfectly.

Dr. Godfrey said the men told her the clue was a good one and would be followed carefully, but that she had heard nothing more since that time.

GENUINE ECZEMA REMEDY.

New Remedy That Cures Eczema Quickly.

J. Hicks Bunting Co. has sold dozens of jars of Hokara in the last few weeks, and although they offered to refund the purchase price to any dissatisfied purchaser, not one jar has been returned.

While this is surprising in itself, yet the most marvelous thing to them is the reports of chronic cases of eczema that have been cured by this simple skin food. People who have suffered with scales, scabs and even bleeding itching have found relief and cure in Hokara.

No matter where the eczema, pimples or other breaking out occurs, whether on the face, arms, legs, body, the application of Hokara will give quick relief, and even the worst or most chronic cases will be cured in a short time.

You can buy a liberal-sized jar at the very low price of 25c and with every package goes their guarantee to refund the money if it is not satisfactory. Larger size, 50c.

If the skin trouble is caused by impure blood or if the bowels are inactive, use Hokara Blood Tablets. They cool and cleanse the blood and regulate the bowels in a natural way.

INCREASED MAGAZINE POSTAGE.

Only One Publication in North Carolina Will be Affected.

(Special Star Correspondence.)
Washington, Feb. 20.—Postmaster General Hitchcock issued today the following statement:

"From an analysis of the 88 periodicals, other than newspapers, journals and the like, published in North Carolina and admitted to the mails as second class matter with the privilege of carrying advertisements, it appears that only one of them will be subjected to an increase in postage by the provision in the pending postal bill that increases the postage rate on the advertising pages of magazines, and as that one periodical out of the 88 happens to be the State Agricultural Bulletin, which would not ordinarily carry advertisements, there is little likelihood of its being affected. The higher rate does not apply to newspapers of any kind, including farm journals and similar publications that print current information of news value. It does not affect periodicals that mail less than 4,000 pounds at each issue, as happens to be the case with every one of the 88 general periodical publications of North Carolina, except the State Agricultural Bulletin just mentioned. On the other hand, the proposed legislation will grant for the first time to 13 periodicals published in North Carolina the right to carry advertisements. These 13 periodicals are a list of which follows, after the category of periodicals admitted to the second class without the advertising privilege under the Act of July 16, 1894, and comprising publications of incorporated institutions of learning, of fraternal, scientific and professional societies, etc. As these 13 periodicals all mail less than 4,000 pounds an issue, the postage on their advertising pages will be at the present rate of 1 cent a pound. It is therefore, apparent, that so far as the periodical publications of North Carolina are concerned, the postage rate provision in the pending postal bill will carry only benefits."

"Following are the North Carolina periodicals admitted as second class mail without the advertising privileges under the act of July 16, 1894, (publications of incorporated institutions of learning, of fraternal, scientific and professional societies, etc.), that are granted the right to carry advertisements by the provision in the pending postal bill:

A. & M. College Bulletin, Greensboro, quarterly; Bulletin, Durham, quarterly; Children's Home Record, Winston-Salem, monthly; Deaf Carolinian, Morganton, bi-weekly; Eastern Searchlight, Laurinburg, monthly; Elissa Mitchell Scientific Society Journal, Chapel Hill, quarterly; Elton College Bulletin, Elton, quarterly; Guilford College Bulletin, Guilford College, quarterly; Home Hill College Quarterly, Mars Hill, quarterly; North Carolina High School Bulletin, Chapel Hill, quarterly; St. Mary's School Bulletin, Raleigh, quarterly; Salem Academy College Bulletin, Winston-Salem, monthly; Wake Forest College Bulletin, Wake Forest, quarterly.

TEACHERS' TRAINING SCHOOL.

News and Notes of East Carolina Institution at Greenville.

(Special Star Correspondence.)
Greenville, N. C., Feb. 22.—President R. H. Wright delivered an address before an educational rally at Trenton, February 17th.

Mr. C. H. Wilson spoke to the teachers of Lenoir county, at Kinston, February 17th.

Mr. R. D. W. Connor, of Raleigh, spoke to the school Monday night, Feb. 20th, under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A.

The Y. W. C. A. gave a silver tea on a recent Saturday evening, and realized a neat little sum.

The Legislative Committee on Education spent the day here February 1st, inspecting the school. The school greatly enjoyed the speeches from the different members of the committee.

Miss Graham's Bible Study Class, composed of twenty girls, spent a delightful evening with her socially not long ago. Refreshments were served and much fun was caused by a unique contest.

The Junior Class, under the direction of Miss Davis, will give an entertainment, colonial suggestions, on the evening of Washington's birthday.

Dr. George D. Strayer, Professor of School Administration and Supervision in Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York city, will give a month's course here to superintendents and principals during the summer term.

Dr. Strayer and Mr. Albert S. Cook, Superintendent of Baltimore county, Md., on tour through the South for the purpose of inspecting schools, spent two days visiting President Wright and looking over the school.

On Saturday evening, Feb. 11th, President and Mrs. Wright entertained in honor of the Senior Class and their guests, Dr. Strayer and Mr. Cooke. The ladies of the faculty assisted in receiving and serving. The Seniors appreciated not only the honor of being entertained, but also the privilege of meeting the distinguished visitors.

FRATERNITY INITIATES.

Those Who Have Joined Greek Letters at A. & M.

(Special Star Correspondence.)
West Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 20.—The various fraternities represented at A. & M. have recently held their initiations, the following men having ridden the "goat."

Kappa Alpha: Howard Milton Cool, Southport; Gerald Ernest Beal, Rocky Mount; Roger Jerome Franklin, Winston-Salem; Francis Hall, Wrightsville, Easton, Md.; Arthur Jefferson Phillips, Portsmouth, Va.; Lee Roboteau Page, Aberdeen; Winston Payne Gwathmey, Richmond, Va.; James Albright Chambers, Asheville; Thomas Winston Nichols, Edenton.

Sigma Nu: Henry Kollock Nash, Jr., Wilmington; John Harvey, Snow Hill; William Bailey, Micanopy, Fla.

Kappa Sigma: J. T. Peden, Jr., Wilkesboro; H. M. Walton, Morganton; K. M. Feltzer, Reidsville; W. L. Moody, Concord; H. S. Lee, Raleigh; W. T. Shaw, Jr., Weldon; Z. W. Taylor, Tarboro.

Sigma Phi Epsilon: R. A. Gill, Statesville; E. C. Latham, Plymouth; J. B. Fearing, Elizabeth City.
Pi Kappa Alpha: H. R. Holding, Raleigh; F. L. Crawford, Winston-Salem; J. W. Griffith, Winston-Salem.

REPUDIATED BOND BOODLERS.

Attempt to Make Catpaw of Michigan to Squeeze Carolina.

(Raleigh News and Observer.)
Washington, D. C., Feb. 21.—The State of Michigan has refused to make itself a collecting agency for the holders of the repudiated and worthless North Carolina carpetbag bonds. A telegram received here today states that Governor Chase, of Michigan, has written a letter to Marcus Pollack, refusing the acceptance of the million or so in the worthless Carolina bonds that were to be turned over to the State University as a gift.

The action of the Governor is highly pleasing to Senators Smith and Burrows of Michigan, who had written him urging that he refuse to have anything to do with the Pollack offer. It is presumed that the bond boodlers will soon turn up in some other State with offers of the repudiated carpetbag securities. All they can do is to annoy the State of North Carolina. They are helpless so far as realizing on their worthless paper is concerned.

The River and Harbor bill is now in jeopardy. Senator Burton says the measure shall never get by the Senate if the provision containing the life of the National Waterways Commission, of which he, as well as Senator Simpson, is a member, is not retained. Congressman Alexander, the chairman of the House Rivers and Harbors Committee, who is one of the conferees, where the bill is pending, is just as positive that the measure shall never pass if the provision is retained for the continuation of the life of the commission. The bill, which carries many important appropriations for North Carolina, may be defeated on the objection of any one Senator during the few days of the session.

FAVORED THE VETO BILL.

Measure Passed First Reading in Parliament—Asquith Cheered.

London, Feb. 22.—Premier Asquith was the recipient of a tremendous ovation from his supporters in the House of Commons tonight when the Parliament bill, otherwise known as the veto bill, a measure designed to curtail the power of the Lords, was passed on its first reading by the government's full majority of 124, the vote being 351 to 227.

The Nationalists first rose in their places cheering wildly and waving their hats. The Liberal members quickly imitated their example. This exhibition of enthusiasm was witnessed a few minutes later as the prime minister quietly left the scene of his victory in his initial action against the Lords.

The debate today maintained a good oratorical level, but presented few points. The Liberal speeches were an invitation to the government to settle the matter by agreement. Frederick E. Smith, in a slashing attack, accused the government of out-raiding the convictions of half their fellow countrymen on a matter that could never be settled except by consent. The British people, he said, would support the government in any resistance, however desperate, they might offer to the bill.

To the persuasion Winston Spencer Churchill, the home secretary, concluding the debate for the government, replied that the ministers would not have an invitation to the government to enter such a conference now. He contended as compared with the referendum the government's moderate proposals were the wisest. Toryism and no step would be neglected to carry the bill swiftly into law.

SENSATION AT HAMPTON.

South Carolina Town Stirred by Arrest for Murder.

Hampton, S. C., Feb. 22.—Somewhat of a sensation developed yesterday when the guard jury returned a true bill charging L. B. Tuten with the murder of J. R. Langford. Langford was killed near Brunswick, this county, November 29th.

Both men are of considerable prominence in the community where they lived, Langford having been an extensive farmer and lumber man, and Tuten is a farmer of some means and a turpentine operator on a large scale.

Announcement was made this afternoon that the case would be called for trial when court opens tomorrow morning.

Mary Harris and a negro by the name of Richard Williams, who have been confined in the State penitentiary in Columbia for safe-keeping, in connection with the killing, were brought here this morning, and are now in the Hampton county jail. The true bill against Tuten was a sensational surprise.

ACT QUICKLY.

Delay Has Been Dangerous in Wilmington.

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Plenty of evidence to prove their efficiency. Mrs. J. E. Marshburn, 515 Castle St., Wilmington, N. C., says: "I am well pleased with Doan's Kidney Pills, for they have given satisfaction in my case. My back and kidneys were in bad shape and I had dull pains through my loins, together with headaches and a kidney weakness. In the morning when I got up, I was tired and languid and had but little strength with which to begin my day's work. After I had used part of the contents of one box of Doan's Kidney Pills, I improved, and it was not long before my kidneys were restored to their proper working order."

A SECOND ENDORSEMENT.

On December 27, 1910, Mrs. Marshburn said: "I value Doan's Kidney Pills as highly as ever, and have no hesitation in re-endorsing them. They are certainly a good backache and kidney medicine."

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WHITEVILLE NEWS.

Town Rapidly Growing—The School.

Death Near Lebanon.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Whiteville, N. C., Feb. 22.—There is no town of its population in the State that is growing more steadily than Whiteville. While there is no boom here, new residences and business houses are going up all the time. Tracts that were two years ago open fields are now covered with nice residences. It is predicted that when the streets are improved still greater improvements will be made.

Mrs. Seth L. Smith, one of the most gifted and accomplished ladies in the primary department of the Whiteville High School, in place of Miss Earnhardt, who has resigned. Mrs. Smith was one of our most successful teachers before her marriage, and she has resumed the work simply because she likes to teach. She will be quite an acquisition to the faculty.

Mr. Henry Martin, of Wanchese, went to his traps the other day in Green Swamp and found a large wild turkey caught in one.

Farmers are busy preparing land and planting corn, and are well advanced with their work. They are beginning to sow the berries, and the crop is very promising.

Mrs. Helen Skipper, a most estimable and popular lady, died at her home near Lebanon, in this county, on Tuesday of last week.

A big meeting of the Freewill Baptists begins today at Spring Branch church, and Mrs. Mills and Smith, from Beachy Point, N. C., will assist the pastor. A protracted meeting will begin in the Vineland Tabernacle on March 6th, in which a number of ministers will assist.

Little Elmo, the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Powell, of Whiteville, had a narrow escape yesterday morning of being burned to death. The little fellow fell head first in an open fireplace, and but for his mother's quick action would have been burned to death. The child was burned about the head and neck.

Mrs. William West, with children, of Wilmington, is visiting her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Baldwin.

ROCKY POINT NEWS.

Berries Ripening Early—Lettuce Begins to Move—Personals.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Point, N. C., Feb. 18.—The heavy rains and nights are causing the berry bloom and fruit to be quite advanced. Mr. H. B. Bloodworth yesterday gathered the first ripe fruit of the season, of the Thompson variety. Mr. R. S. Fitch reports ripe Early Hefflins. The present outlook indicates that shipments will begin by April 1st.

It is reported the Walker place changed hands yesterday. It is an extremely valuable piece of property, and there is none better on the Point. As an alfalfa, stock and dairy farm there is none in Eastern North Carolina that can surpass it. The Chinlis farm here is a model of neatness and is systematically worked. Their large crop of garden peas looks quite thrifty. The place will go forward next week, and is looking tip-top.

Mrs. Julia Stevens, of Goldsboro, is visiting the scenes of her childhood here and is stopping with Mr. J. E. Durham—Miss Annie Bloodworth, of Yorkville, S. C., is visiting the Armstrongs, Bloodworths and other family connections here. She is a lineal descendant of the celebrated Timothy Bloodworth of Revolutionary fame. Her mother is yet living at the advanced age of 81, and was raised in New Hanover county.

Mr. W. S. Balcombe who makes a specialty of the biggest berry in the world, "Wallace's Wonderful World Beater," states that the outlook is good for a bumper crop. His best yield per plant last year was 3 quarts. From one quarter acre he gathered about 80 crates, for which he received fancy prices. Mr. Balcombe is an extensive grower and works them to the highest knot.

CHALLENGE FROM GERMANY.

Balloon to Compete in International Race in this Country.

New York, Feb. 22.—Cortlandt Field Bishop, acting chairman of the National Council of Aero Clubs in America, received by cable today a challenge from the Deutscher Luftschiffer Verband to the Aero Club of America for the Coupe International Des Aeronauts, won last year by Messrs. Hawley and Post in the balloon America II.

Germany was second in the International race from St. Louis last year, and her entry is the first to be received this year. The message merely says that three German balloons will compete.

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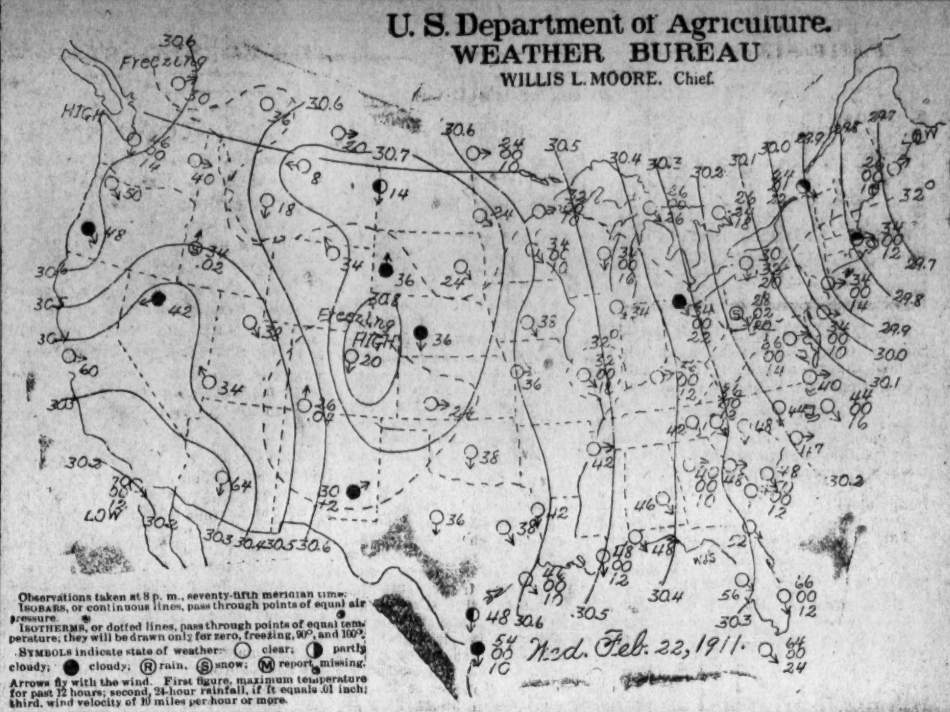
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